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Vessels.	Tons.	H.P.	Captains.	Friday.
† ASSAM	3038	500	G. W. F. Browne.	4th Sept
B.I. CLYDE	4126	800	J. L. Parfitt	11th "
† SIAM	3011	500	H. T. Weighell	18th "
				Saturday.
B.I. MIRZAPORE	3913	600	R. Harvey	26th Sept.
† ASSAM	3038	500	G. W. F. Browne.	3rd Oct.
B.I. MALWA	2970	500	C. F. Preston	10th "
† SIAM	3011	500	H. T. Weighell	17th "
B.I. CATHAY	3283	500	A. Symons	24th "
† ASSAM	3038	500	G. W. F. Browne.	31st "
B.I. ORIENTAL	4972	1000	E. Stewart	7th Nov.
† SIAM	3011	500	H. T. Weighell	14th "
B.I. OCEANA	6188	1000	P. S. Tomlin	21st "
† ASSAM	3038	500	G. W. F. Browne.	25th "
B.I. CLYDE	4136	800	J. L. Parfitt	5th Dec.
† SIAM	3011	500	H. T. Weighell	12th "
B.I. PESHAWUR	3906	600	W. A. Wheler	19th "
† SIAM	3038	500	G. W. F. Browne.	26th "

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Vessels.	Tons	H.P.	Captains.	About
ROHILLA	3387	700	C. H. S. Tocque	10th Sept.
RAVENNA	3257	700	E. Crewe	24th "
PESHAWUR	3906	600	W. A. Wheler	8th Oct.
ROSETTA	3411	700	G. Gadd	22nd "
PEKIN	3909	600	P. Harris	5th Novr.
PENINSULAR	4972	1000	A. C. Loggin	19th "
MIRZAPORE	3913	600	R. Harvey	3rd Dec.
MALWA	2970	500	C. F. Preston	17th "

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Steamers.	Captains.	Tons.	H. P.	To sail o.
IMPERATOR	C. Bechtinger	4,000	750	1st Oct. '91.
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Steamer.	Captain.	Tons.	H. P.	To sail
PANDORA	G. Mettel	3,800	500	18th Sept. '91

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Steamer.	Captain.	Tons.	H.P.	To sail
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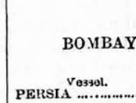

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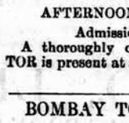

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—At the MEETING of the Corporation called for THURSDAY, the 3rd instant, at 3 p.m., notice to the following effect will be moved; (1) by Cowasjee Hormusjee, Esq., "That Surgeon-Major K. R. Kirtikar be appointed to act as Health Officer, on a salary of Rs. 1,500 per mensem, inclusive of all claims for pension contribution."

2. By K. N. Kabraji, Esq., "That the Commissioner be authorised to invite fresh tenders for electric lighting, as an experimental measure, including a clause for the continuation of such contract, or for the purchase of the plant in the event of the installation proving successful.

3. By E. B. Carroll, Esq., "That sanction be given to the raising of a loan of Rs. 4,50,000 at 4½ per cent., to defray the cost of providing Fire Brigade Quarters in the City.

"2. That the Commissioner be authorised to apply to Government for sanction to the raising of a loan of Rs. 4,50,000.

"3. That the Commissioner be further authorised to proceed with the building of the new quarters and stations as soon as the raising of the loan is sanctioned, the requisite payments being made by advances pending adjustment against loan.

4. By A. G. Viegas, Esq., "That the Commissioner be requested to invite tenders for, and proceed with, the construction of a new market at Foras Road.

5 By A. G. Viegas, Esq., "That the Commissioner be requested to submit to the Corporation a half-yearly return of the admission fees to the Victoria Gardens."

6. By D. E. Wacha, Esq. "(1) That a Committee be appointed to inquire into, ascertain and report on the net gain or loss which may have resulted to the Municipality in connection with the raising and investment of the loans between the years 1880-81 and 1890-91.

"(2) That the Municipal Secretary be requested to print with the proceedings of the Standing Committee the weekly statement of receipts and disbursements.

"(3) That the Commissioner be requested to inform the Corporation—(a) the quantity of coal consumed and sewage lifted by the Love Grove Station pumping engines from 1-82-83 to 1890-91; (b) the terms and conditions of tenders which may have been invited for new engines for the Love Grove Pumping Station."

7. By Thomas Blaney, Esq., "That the Standing Committee be requested to inform the Corporation—

"1. If in the revised estimates for the Tansa Water Works, the sum of Rs. 1,20,000 formally entered in regard to the claim of Messrs. Glover and Co. has been drawn upon, or not?

"2. If it was not necessary before drawing upon that sum to obtain the specific sanction of the Corporation to the amount proposed to be paid.

"3. If it is true that Rs. 1,25,000 have been paid for extra claims in respect of which neither Messrs. Glover nor the Executive Engineer, Tansa, could supply any specific details.

"4. That if payment of Rs. 1,25,000 has been made the Standing Committee be requested to inform the Corporation of the grounds and reasons on which such payment was made."

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BANKS.

Names.	Shares.	Amount	Paid-up.	Last Half-Yearly Divd.	Cash Rate
INDIAN BANKS					
Bank of Bombay	20,000	500	500	Rs. 25	950
Bank of Bengal	40,000	500	all	5 pr. ct.	1,000
Bank of Madras	10,000	500	all	5 pr. ct.	800
EXCHANGE BANKS.					
Agra	100,000	£10	all	5 pr. ct	12½
Charter Bank ..	40,000	£20	£20	7 pr. ct.	£2
Char. Mercantile	34,000	£25	£25	5 pr. ct.	33½
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	60,000	$125	all	17½ pr.ct.	..
National Bank of India	37,320	£25	£12½	5 pr. ct.	18⅝
New Oriental Bank	80,000	£10	all	6 pr. ct.	15⅝
Silver Share ..	..	..	..	..	10½

MISCELLANEOUS.

				Last half-yearly.	
Alcock Ashdown	{1,000 / 75	200 / 15	20 / 15	10 / 7½	260 / 182½x
Back Bay Baths	500	5	5	12	50
Balhan Pile..	15,000	100	10	12	95xd
Bapty Bros....	15,622	200	18	1	42
Berar Oil Mills Co., Limited.	1,250	10	All.	Nil.	100 no
Bombay Fire Insurance ...	600	2,500	1,00	75	950
Bombay & Burmah Trading Corporation	1,000	2,500	1,50	135	3,850
Do. New Issue.	500	375	62	33	470
Bombay Ice Mfg. Co., Ld.	1,250	100	100	25	85xd
Bombay Land and Building Co., Ld.	400	50	50	6 pr. ct.	630
Bombay Flour Mill.....	1,000	500	50	Rs. 37	935xd
Deccan Ice Co.	1,170	100	10	4 pr. ct	15
Deccan Paper Mills	1,000	500	50	5 pr. ct.	405
Delhi and Northern India Flour Mills...	1,500	200	200	Rs. 1	165
Geyer & Co., Ld.	500	100	70	...	70 nom
Indian Guarantee Surety-Ship Assn.....	6,00	10	1	10 pr. ct	13
John Roberts & Co	1,500	100	10	10 pr. ct	90
Kemp & Co....	4,000	200	17	25	345
Kurrachee Landing	500	500	80	30	10½
Mahamaree Ice Manufacturing Co.	3,50	100	10	Nil.	30
Marcks & Co., Ld.	4,000	100	10	Rs. 5	94
Napier Hotel Co	2,000	100	10	5 pr. ct	51 d
Napier Foundry	1,000	100	20	...	60
Oriental Govt. Security Life Insurance ..	5,000	200	5	12 pr. ct	155
Oriental Loan ..	5,000	2	2	8 pr. ct	1
Phillips & Co., Ld.	4,000	10	10	7 pr. ct	76
Port Canning Co.	6,00	1,0..	1,00	2	435
Prince of Wales Flour Mills	250	8,00	1,00	N dv	2,35
Royal Flour Mills	3,500	100	10	..	45
Soundy & Co..	1,900	100	10	..	84
Southwell and Austin, Ld...	Ord. 1,000	100	100	5 pr. ct.	50
Do.	Prf. 1,000	100	100	10 pr. ct.	100
Treacher & Co.	2,000	500	all	8½	950
Thacker & Co.	1,500	100	10	10	90xd
Telephone Co..	9,20	2	2	5	17½
Western India Flour.....	...	..	...	..	27

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

				Last half-yearly.	
Ahmedabad ...	600	1,000	1,000	90	1,400
Alliance	1,200	1,000	all	Rs. 15	505
Anglo-Indian..	9,345	100	100	4	85
Bellary S & W Co. Ld. (Incl lary)	871	500	all	9 pr. ct	511
Bombay United	900	1,000	1,00	25	700
Bombay Cotton Manfg. Co...	600	500	500	20	390
Britannia Mills.	1,000	1,000	1,000	30	845
Central India..	3,750	500	500	35	1,225
China Mills Co. Ld	800	1,000	1,000	Nil.	610
City of Bombay Mills....	600	1,000	1,000	Rs. 50	1020
Connaught Mills	600	500	2	10 pr. ct	610
Colaba Land & Mill	1,000	700	700	15	615xd
Coorla Mills ..	800	1,000	1,000	Rs. 25	420
David Mill	1,400	500	500	Rs. 30	430xd
Dhun Mills....	1,000	1,000	1,000	50	850
Empress	2,400	500	22	10 pr. ct.	535
Framjee Petit..	1,250	1,000	1,000	Rs. 25	955
Gordon Mills..	2,000	1,000	1,000	Nil.	115
Hindustan	875	1,000	1,000	Rs. 40	775
Hinguanghat Mill.....	700	500	2	10 pr. ct	650
Howard and Bullough's ..	1,500	500	500	25	595
Hyderabad....	700	1,000	1,000	Rs. 40	790
Imperial Cotton	900	500	500	Rs. 17-8	360
Indian Manfg..	900	1,000	1,000	Rs. 5	990
James Greaves	1,100	500	2	10 pr. ct	620
Jaffer Alli	600	500	50	Nil.	34
Jamshed Manufacturing Co.	1,600	250	250	10	230
Jewraz Baloo..	1,000	1,000	1,000	30	790
Jubilee Mills Co., Ld.....	600	1,000	1,00	Rs. 2	550xd
Khandesh	750	1,000	1,00	30	625
Khangaum Manfg. Co...	400	25	25	Nil.	55
Khatao Mackunjee	1,000	1,00	1,00	40	740
Leopold.....	3,500	100	10	15 pr. ct	199
Lord Reay Mfg	445	1,000	1,000	25	700
Lukmidas Spinning & Weaving Co	1,600	1,000	1,00	30	910
Madras United.	350	1,000	1,00	10	2,025
Mahalaxmee ..	600	1,000	1,00	Nil.	415
Mahboob Shahi Mills (Gulbergal	2,400	50	50	pr. c	500 nom
Manockjee Petit	4,000	1,00	all	Rs. 60	1,275
Mazagon	5,000	25	25	5	120
Mirzi Goculdas	1,050	1,00	1,00	7	1,700
Maharaja Mysore S & M Co.....	4,500	100	10	7 pr. c	105
National	600	1,00	1,00	Nil.	175
New Great Eastern	1,40	1,00	1,00	Rs. 4	670
Oriental	5,72	62	62	Rs. 15	380
Presidency Mills Co. Ld.)	74	1,00	1,00	Rs. 5	1,190
Queen Mills	800	1,00	1,00	Rs. 4	700xd
Ripon Mills....	600	1,00	1,00	Rs. 50	1,120
Sassoon	1,500	1,00	1,00	25	1,40
Shoolapore Mills	500	1,00	1,00	60	1,400
Soonderdas	750	1,00	1,00	Nil.	480
Southern India.	1,00	500	500	Nil.	100 nom
Southern Mahratta	1,212	250	25	12	282½
Sun Mills, Ld..	1,200	250	250	Nil.	245
Star of India ..	1,000	1,00	1,00	30	630
Swadeshi Mills.	3,000	500	500	Nil.	425
Union Spinning and Manufacturing Co.....	600	1,00	1,00	Nil.	70
Victoria Mills...	550	1,00	1,00	24	390
Western India	1,200	1,00	1,00	Rs. 40	690
Wadia Mills ..	1,000	1,00	1,00	..	700
Coral Mills Co., Ld.....	5,698	100	100	50	110

PRESS COMPANIES.

				Yearly.	
Akbar	200	1,250	1,250	7	1,025
Albert Ginning Co	100	500	all	18 pr. ct	45
Albert (Kurrachee)	200	1,100	1,100	60	810
Apollo	750	2,400	2,200	Nil.	90
Bellary	187	1,000	1,000	Rs. 40	35
Bombay Cotton	1,000	125	125	20	12
Bombay National Manfg. Co., Ld	500	1,000	1,000	...	65
Braul's Cawnpore Press Co. Ld.	500	200	200	16	90
Colaba	500	1,280	1,280	45 dvd	3 5
East India	350	1,000	1,000	130	1,42
English Press and Manfg.	180	250	...	Rs. 2	182½
Fort	515	2,500	12,500	50	90
French	300	500	all	30	645
Harvey and Sabapathy ..	450	450	500	30	410 x
Hengoli Press Co., Ld.....	750	100	all	32	132½
Khangaum.....	240	450	450	54	500
Mahmudpare Cotton S. and P. Co., Ld...	500	500	500	pr. ct.	500
Mercantile	1,000	125	125	10	440
Mofussil Co ..	3,125	400	400	Rs. 40	445
Munmar M....	1,000	250	all	Rs. 15	210
New Berar	1,200	500	500	45	590
New Indian ..	4,000	125	125	Rs. 10	113½
Prince of Wales	600	500	500	40	370
Sabapathy (Bellary)	500	500	50	20	50
Sassoon.....	300	1,500	500	..	50
Sind and Punjab Co.	100	1,000	1,000	25	1,20
Sind	400	2,000	750	50	445
Sorab Woollen Mills	1,200	250	250	75	230
Ozarc.....	[illegible]	1,000	..	Rs. 80	870

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

				Last half-yearly guar.	
G I P R. Consolidated Stock	...	£100	all	5 p.c.	2,400
B, B, & C. I. R. New £18 Shares	...	£ 18	...	do.	41

PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

English Bar Gold	Rs.	22-4
China Leaf	,,	22-4 nom.
Bar Gold, New	,,	21-10 ,,
Do. Old	,,	21-13 ,,
Australian Bar Gold 100 touch	,,	22-4
English Sovereigns	,,	14-1-9
Do. Dragons	,,	14
Bar Silver 17 Betterness	,,	107-8
Bar Silver 17½ Do.	,,	107-1
Spyce Silver	,,	103

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Municipal Standing Committee, 3 p.m.
Frecar's "Frivolity" at Gaiety Theatre, 9 p.m.
Skating Rink, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., 4-30 to 7 p.m., and 8-30 to 11 p.m.
Association Football, Y. M. C. A. *vs.* Royal Artillery, Cooperage, 5-20 sharp.

VESSEL ARRIVED.—The steamer Ganges arrived yesterday from Batoum.

VESSELS SAILED.—The following vessels sailed yesterday :—Poseidon (s), for Trieste, &c. ; Alton Tower (s), for Karachi ; and Fultala (s), for Calcutta, &c.

NOTICE.—Mails for Persian Gulf close at Karachi at 6 p.m. to-day.

VICTORIA DOCK.—The s. s. Calder entered, and the s. s. Poseidon and Lombardy left, the dock yesterday.

REPORTED BURGLARY.—Shah Bundari Abdul Kadir, living at Nagdevie street, has reported to the police that his shop was broken into by somebody forcing open a window, and that a box, containing gold and silver ornaments valued at Rs. 1,410, was stolen from a cupboard in his room. The box and a portion of the property were found yesterday in a sweeper's gully.

BREACH OF THE MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS.—At the Girgaum Police Court, yesterday, Panechan Joyband and Kaitan Kheewal were charged by the assistant market inspector, Enoch Solomon, before Mr. Hamilton, Third Presidency Magistrate, the first with bringing from Coorla to Sion 150 lbs. of meat not slaughtered at the Bandora slaughter-house, and the second with bringing 75 lbs. of pork from the same place to Grant road without a license from the Municipal Commissioner. His worship convicted both the accused, and fined the first Rs. 5 and the second Rs. 10.

HONESTY THE BEST POLICY.—Mr. Cowasjee Bhikahjee Ghara, proprietor of the Grant Road Hotel, made over to Colonel Wilson, the Commissioner of Police, a hand-bag containing Rs. 1,000 in cash and several valuable documents found in his premises. Subsequently the property was claimed by a Portuguese gentleman from Mozambique, to whom it was handed over by the police. The Commissioner of Police tendered to Mr. Cowasjee the usual reward, which he refused to accept, saying that he had only done his duty in returning to the owner his lost property.

THE LATE MR. PANDURUNG RAGHOBA.—We regret to announce the death from paralyses of Mr. Pandurung Raghoba, which occurred at his residence at Cowasji Patel Tank road on Monday night. Mr. Pandurung was chief managing clerk in the well-known firm of Messrs. Craigie, Lynch and Owen, who had a very high opinion of his abilities, and whom he had served faithfully for over 47 years. He was a shrewd, self-made man, and was one of the leading members of the Daivadnya community, which on his death has lost a true adviser and sincere friend. He leaves a brother, a son, Mr. Harischandra, and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn his loss.

MUSIC AT THE SKATING RINK.—The following selection will be played, commencing at 8-30 p.m.:—

March	Bright Days	W. S. Smith.
Valse	Love's Dreamland	Otto Roeder.
Polka	Pinafore	Sullivan.
Valse	Pretty Skates.....	Jean Ross.
Mazurka ..	Redova.....	D'Albert.
Polka.....	Jolly Vagrants.....	C. Coote.
Schottische.....	Highland.....	Wallace.
Galop.....	Durch de Lafton.....	Zuhen.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.—There will be a match this evening between the Y. M. C. A. Football Club and the Royal Artillery Football Club. The following will represent the Y. M. C. A. :—

J. Waller		Goal.
E. Waller.....	}	Backs.
A. K. Sharp	}	
P. Fischer	}	½ backs.
H. W. Joyce	}	
H. Clark	}	
T. H. Nash.....	} Left	Forwards.
A. Trevor.....		
J. MacCarthy.....	Centre (captain).	
T. H. Hoyes	} Right	
J. Allan.....		

SUICIDE OF A MAHOMEDAN WOMAN.—An inquest was held yesterday by Dr. Blaney, the Coroner, at Love Lane, touching the death of a Mahomedan woman, about 45 years of age, named Gulniyar, wife of Ali Mardan, a confectioner, in the service of His Highness the Aga Khan. The deceased sometime ago quarrelled with her husband, who in turn assaulted her because she did not give her consent to the marriage of one of her three daughters to a Mahomedan named Mumladat. On last Sunday night they had a quarrel, when her husband struck her with his fists. On Monday morning she was again ill-treated by him. The same evening the deceased's ayah found the door of her mistress's room fastened from inside. She knocked at the door, but not getting any reply, she fetched the deceased's sister, who forced open the door ; then she found her sister hanging by the neck from a rope. The rope was at once cut, but the unfortunate woman was found to be dead. The jury returned a verdict of suicide.

A NOTED THIEF.—At the Girgaum Police Court, yesterday, Inspector Nelmes charged Jeywant Sagoon Ramkrishna before Mr. Hamilton, Second Presidency Magistrate, with three different thefts of copper pots and a shawl, collectively valued at Rs. 100, belonging to Chintaman Bhasker and two other complainants living at Girgaum. On the night of the 27th ultimo, the accused got into the rear compound of the first complainant's house by climbing over a wall, and stole two large copper pots which were placed beneath the eaves of a roof in the compound. The next morning, the complainant, on missing the pots, reported the matter to the police, who arrested the accused, on suspicion, while trying to dispose of the pots at a Marwaree's shop at Duncan road. On being questioned by the police sepoy as to how he became possessed of the pots, the accused admitted having stolen them from the first complainant's house. The accused was then take to Inspector Nelmes, who, on enquiry, ascertained that the accused had made it his regular business to commit thefts at night, and that during the last two months he had commited eleven similar thefts. On further enquiry, the inspector traced the property of the other complainants to the different Marwarees, to whom the accused had sold it at a cheap price. The accused admitted the truth of the charges, and said that he was recently a servant in the employ of the Bombay Municipality, but, owing to the slack season, his services had been dispensed with about a month ago, and he had at present no employment. The Magistrate convicted the accused on the three charges of theft, and sentenced him to an accumulated term of one year's imprisonment with hard labour.

MAHUWA RELIEF FUND.

THE following sums have been subscribed in aid of the above fund :—

	Rs.
Messrs. Tapidas, Varzdas and Co.....	51
Amount previously subscribed 11,011	
Total ...	11,062

The following sums have been paid into the Bank of Bombay :—

	Rs.
Mr. Pranjivendas Kalyandas	101
Mr. Pursotamdas Mungaldas Nathoobhoy.....	100
Messrs. Tapidas, Varzdas and Co.	51
Mr. Yue Lung Ching	75
Total ...	327
Amount previously paid to the Bank of Bombay 9,239	
Grand total ...9,566	

TALAKCHAND MANEKCHAND,
MUNJEE NATHOOBHOY,
Hon. Secretaries, Mahuwa Relief Fund.

DIVINE SERVICE.

BOMBAY YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION SERVICE will be held on board the steamer Imaum this evening at 7-30 p.m. Captains, Officers, Engineers, Seamen, and others are cordially invited. The Bethel Flag will be hoisted.

SARAH BERNHARDT's latest sensation is to disclaim her French nationality. The Paris *Siecle* announces that Mrs. L. E. Bell, a Californian lady, has received from the divine Sarah a letter informing her that she is her long lost sister, who disappeared from New York thirty-five years ago. The great actress's real name is said to be Sarah King, the daughter of a plasterer. She ran away from home with her younger sister, owing to the cruelty of a stepmother, and, after many adventures, entered the comedy class at the Paris Conservatoire.

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ILLEGAL TRADING IN OPIUM.

AT the Esplanade Police Courts, yesterday, Mr. J. Sanders Slater, Acting Chief Presidency Magistrate, resumed the enquiry into the case in which Mr. Jehangir Rustim, of the Opium Department, charged Abdulla Ebraham Khan, Nazum Hassum Mir Aga Hossein, Mir, Burulla Khan and Dowlat Khan Nawaz Khan on remand the first accused with being in possession of opium in excess of 10 tolas, and the remaining trio with abetment. Mr. Shamrao Rele defended the accused Nazum Hassum.

The prosecution, it will be recollected, was remanded at the last hearing to allow the prisoners an opportunity of showing that the half pound of opium seized in their possession was purchased from a licensed vendor of the drug. Mr. Rele contended that, as regarded the last three accused, the offence of abetment of the possession of opium could not be brought home to them as the possession of the drug was only traced to Abdulla Khan Ebrahim Khan, who had it for the purpose of smoking it. Evidence was tendered by a witness that six pice worth of pium was brought by the Second accused on the evening previous to the arrest.

Mr. Rele pointed out to the Court that the aggregate weight of crude and burnt opium that had been seized did not exceed might totals, while the actual amount of *chundul* in a bowl was about tola. He did not think that the quantity of *chundul* diluted with water could be considered an entire quantity of opium ; that is to say, if three tolas of opium were mixed with four gallons of water, it would not with seven tolas of opium. To prove his assertion that the quantity which had been seized was less than ten tolas, he suggested that the admixture of *chundul* and water might be sent to the Chemical Analyser to separate the actual amount of the drug from the water, and therefore asked for a remand to await the result of this analysis.

Mr. Slater thought his course unnecessary as the accused had admitted in evidence being in possessionos more than the specified quantity which constituted the offence. His worship said he disbelived the evidence of the only witness, and there was no donbt that the first accused was in possession of a large amount of the drug. This was one of those cases which the Government specially ordered should be treated as a serious offence, as amount found on the premises of the accused was of considerable value. The Government had noticed that a very large amount of opium was being smuggled into the country at the present time, and insisted upon a stop being put to it. Although, Mr. Slater continued, he did not think he would act with that severity which the Government wished, yet he would inflict a fine to serve as a warning and a deterrent to similar offences.

Mr. Rele asked the Magistrete whether the Rs. 97-11-9 would be confiscated.

Mr. Rustum drew his worship's attention to the last clause of section 11 of the Opium Act I of 1871, which laid down that all vessels, packages and coverings, in which any opium liable to confiscation under this section was found and the other contents (if any) of the vessel or package in which such opium might be concealed and the animals and conveyances used in carrying it, should be liable to confiscation. The money in this case had been found concealed in a box with the opium as stated by Constable Mynn in his evidence to the Court,

Mr. Rele said the question was whether the opium and the money had been concealed. According to his instructions, the money was found among other things, in a large box. He thought the wording of the section was very wide, but yet did not include money as an article. Confiscation in this case could only touch all contrivances or apparatns utilised in manu- facturing the opium.

Mr. Slater maintained that these "rupees" were part of the contents of the box in which the opium was concealed. The section, moreover, was very hide in its wording, and went so far as to say that even the animals drawing a cart or conveyance employed in smuffling opiumwere liable to confiscation.

Mr. Rele reminded the Magistrate that the whole of the case depended on the word "concealed," in support of which no evidence had been given.

Mr. Slater in deciding the case thought there was no doubt that the opium was concealed. He therefore convicted the accused of the offences, and fined Abdulla Khan Ebrahim Khan Rs. 15. A penalty of Rs. 5 each was imposed on the other accused. The contents of the box, including, the money and other apparatus seized, were confiscated. His worship remarked that if the prisoners were not satisfied with his conviction, which was in accordance with the provisions of section 11 of the Opium Act, they were at liberty to appeal to the High Court.

TELLERY'S INDIAN ART STORE.

CONSIDERING that Bombay is the western gate of India through which crowds of people are continually passing to and fro, one would imagine it would be the first place in the country where specimens might be collected of all kinds of Indian art. But warehouses, in which really good pieces of art can be procured, are few, for amongst boraha in the bazaar not only is competition very keen, but they are so accustomed to be beaten down by their customers, that they are wont to import into the city pieces of Indian work made for cheapness. That is how Indian workmanship has been spoiled to a great extent ; but now a house has been opened in Bombay directly opposite the University Tower, in Hornby Road, where none but the best and perfect specimens of Indian workmanship are kept, where even the smallest and most trifling articles are works of art. Even though Mr. Tellery, the famed manufacturer and collector of Indian works of art, whose head-quarters are at Delhi, has just opened an establishment in Bombay—his name is well known, and therefore enough to guarantee that the collection he is now displaying to the Bombay public is a valuable and interesting one. One might be inclined to think that such pieces of work as Mr. Tellery has are expensive. They are undoubtedly worth a great deal ; but he is determined to compete with the bazaar, and that being so purchasers may know that from Mr. Tellery they are only getting a really good article, artistically executed : for every piece of work before being exposed for sale is carefully examined, and the slightest flaw condemns it to be returned to the workshop. The shop is full of novelties. For instance there is the Tanjore work. Everybody knows how handsome the pieces of mixed silver and copper, copper and brass, brass and silver, or silver copper and brass altogether look ; but all that is usually seen are plates and *lotas*. Mr. Tellery is making an improvement, which is in reality a development of this work, for he is now having vases, cups, and other articles made in this effective and handsome style, so that Mr. Tellery may well claim to have a greater variety than any other art collector. It is the same with the Jeypore work, which is so well known for its antique and quaint shapes and patterns. When the grandfather of the present Maharaja of Jeypore was Governor of Kabul, he brought to Jeypore many most curious patterns of work, and these Mr. Tellery has had copied by Jeypore workmen in brass, in order to preserve the shapes ; and also in the copper work of Cashmere, from which it will be understood how Mr. Tellery is endeavouring to develop Indian art. Thus, it may be said, he has brought a collection to Bombay, such as has never been seen here before. Even the entrance is attractive. The pillars are draped with old cashmere shawls, new embroidered curtains, and sprangled phulkaries, relieved by trophies of imitations of ancient Indian armour and weapons. Facing the door are two handsome cabinets. One is a Hoshianpur cabinet of sissum wood most delicately inlaid with ivory ; and the other is of Cashmere papier mache so beautifully hand-painted that it looks like wood garnished with gold and inlaid with other precious metals. In front of these stand specimens of Bombay blackwood carving. People may not consider those curios, but Mr. Tellery, it must be remembered, does not keep any of the common class of articles on stock. His, as those at the entrance will show, are really artistic. Then, on either side, stand specimens of pottery from Multan, Delhi, Khurja, Peshawar, Bombay, &c., making a most attractive show. Inside, of course, more of those are to be seen, as well as all manner of shapes of Muradabad ware. There is a fine display of Cashmere copper work. In its original state it looks pretty, and plated with silver it makes charming table ornaments. Exquisite specimens of ivory carving from Delhi form a feature of the Tellery collection, and a novelty is the carving of elephants, after the Delhi style, in ebony with real ivory tusks. Figures illustrative of native character, are to be found in Mr. Tellery's shop, such as can hardly be obtained anywhere. Bhagwandas, the famous figure modeller, who carried off the prize at the Paris Exhibition, is now in Mr. Tellery's service, and the figures he turns out are really works of art. Such large pieces of carving in sissum wood, as are on view here, have never been exhibited in Bombay before, and for those alone the warehouse is worth a visit. Carpets, too, in imitation of the Persian article, manufactured in Mr. Tellery's own works at Delhi, are sold cheap, and are said to be as good and as durable as the real Persian. The Tellery collection should now become one of the places of interest for visitors to Bombay.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE British s s Alton Tower, 1,921 tons, Captain W B Tregerthen, sailed yesterday for Karachi, in ballast.

THE B I S N Co's s s Fultala, 2,692 tons, Captain J Couper, cleared yesterday for coast and Calcutta, with a general cargo.

THE B I S N Co's s s Karagola, 597 tons, Captain J C Tice, arrived in harbour yesterday from Karachi, with a general cargo, Captain and Mrs. Braid as cabin and 84 deck passengers.

THE British s s Ganges, 1,490 tons, Captain D Roberts, arrived in harbour yesterday from Batoum, with a cargo of 69,934 cases kerosine oil and three deck passengers. The vessel is consigned to Messrs. Volkart Brothers.

VESSELS IN DOCKS.—SEPTEMBER 1.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Vessels.	Tons.	Captains.	Sheds.	Company or Agents.
S.S. Mobile.....	916	Cronin	C	B & P S N Co.
I G S Magdala ..	..	.....	G	Indian Marine
„ Kt. Companion	2512	Durant	K	K Nixon & Co
S.S. Poonani	..	Nacoda	M	Shepherd & Co
„ La Soyne.....	1151	Schmits ...30 tons crane		Maritime Co

Time-ball drops at Prince's Dock at noon, or Greenwich mean time, 7h. 8 m. 41·3s.
The Time-ball over the Clock Tower at the Bombay Castle continues to be dropped regularly at 1 p.m. of Colaba mean time, or 8h 8m 41·3s a.m. of Greenwich mean time.

VICTORIA DOCK

			No.	
S.S. Clyde.....	2193	Parfitt	1	P & O S N Co
„ D. Balduino .	3044	Cruciani	3	F Bozoni
„ Imaum.....	2705	Poland	6	E Bates & Co.
„ Kirby Hall ..	1759	Phillips.....	13	E Bates & Co.

ARRIVAL.

Sept.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
1	Ganges (s)	Roberts.....	Batoum, Aug 11.

DEPARTURES.

Sept.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
1	Poseidon (s)	Lemosich....	Trieste, &c.
	Alton Tower (s)	Tregerthen ..	Karachi.
	Fultala (s)	Couper	Calcutta, &c.

The following vessels began to load yesterday :—
Steamer Byculla, for Rangoon, Moulmein, &c.
„ La Soyne, for Karachi and Aden.

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVALS.

Aug. 27 Nowshera s.....Smith .....Bombay, Aug 7.
Elbe, ship .....Feanu .....Philadelphia, May 16

DEPARTURES.

August 27.—Steamers Maharani and Lightning, barques Congo and Strathay.

MADRAS.

ARRIVAL.

Aug. 28 Palitana s..... ..... Negapatam.

DAILY IMPORTS.—SEPTEMBER 1.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Britannia s—23 packages colour, Abdool Cader Abdool Hoosein.
Kirby Hall s—500 boxes soap, M Firoze Jamshed and Co.

FROM LONDON.

Clyde s—3 packages printing paper, S A S Dawood ; 1 case haberdashery, E Caderbhoy ; 1 package haberdashery, N S Dawood ; 1 case saffron and 10 cases butter, D P Batha and Co ; 1 case toys, S Lilladhar ; 6 packages soap, Damodar Ruttonsey ; 5 packages medicine, J Jowraj and Co ; 1 case cheese, B Khan Mahomed ; 20 bales straw boards, M A M Surufally ; 1 case boots, H Allybhoy ; 4 cases woolen blankets, 4 cases papers and 2 cases medicine, Rogers and Co ; 20 cases provisions &c, W B Green and Co ; 2 cases spectacles, D M Madon ; 150 casks alizarine dye, C Ramjee ; 5 cases colour, Nuzerally Surufally and Co ; 221 casks alizarine, Adamjee Bhaljee ; 5 cases colour, M A B Tayebjee.

FROM TRIESTE.

Imperatrix s—1 case boots, Jafferjee Rajbhoy.
Poseidon s—15 cases soap, T Sumsoodin ; 3 cases metal toys, Sorabjee Bomonjee Mody.

DAILY EXPORTS.—SEPTEMBER 1.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Imaum s—75 cwts myrabollams, Veerjee Husraj ; 39 bales wool, Kika Khoshall ; 45 bales wool, Framjee Sands and Co ; 795 cwts myrabollams, H Gokuldass.
Kirby Hall s—1,170 cwts myrabollams, Sewjee Ramjee ; 2,499 cwts jowari, Ralli Brothers ; 50 cwts jowaree, Thos, H Moore and Co.

FOR LONDON.

Clyde s—50 cwts gum, Tod Durant and Co ; 559 lbs Indian brassware and 2 cases curiosities, Ardeshir and Byramjee.

FOR ANTWERP.

Kt Companion s—2,001 cwts castorseed and 4,000 cwts jowaree, F L Batliboi and Co ; 1,000 cwts wheat, J C Bushby and Co.

FOR GENOA.

D Balduino s—30 bales cotton and 4,000 cwts wheat, E Spinner and Co ; 1,200 cwts wheat, Ralli Brothers.

FOR NAPLES.

D Balduino s—3,000 cwts wheat, Killick Nixon and Co.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—AUGUST 30.

Hughes, Col, Bo, Comy Genl, on duty, from Poona.

AUGUST 31.

Hartison, Captain, Bo, B Bant C I Ry Vols, from leave, from Poona.
Braid, Captain, Bo, R A, on duty, from Karachi.
Ronny, Capt, Bo, Ordnance, on duty, from Deesa.
Swann, Capt, 8th Bo Infy, on duty, from Ahmednagar.

DEPARTURES.—AUGUST 30.

Hughes, Col, Bo, Comy Genl, on duty, to Karachi.

AUGUST 31.

Nicholetts, Major, Bo, 5th Bo N I, on duty, to Deolalee.
Symons, Major, Bo, 2nd York L I, on duty, to Deolalee.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR R. S. BROWN, COMMANDING B. V. R.
Bombay, 2nd September 1891.
BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

2. There will be drill for Recruits at the Riding School on Thursday, the 3rd instant, at 7 a.m. Uniform, swords, bandoliers, military bridles and head-ropes to be worn. All are requested to attend.

By Order,
(Sd.) T. W. C. LEATHEM, Major,
and Adjt, B. V. R.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY CAPTAIN A. LESLIE, COMMANDING B. V. A.
Bombay, 2nd September, 1891.

1. There will be Gun drill at the Fort Head-quarters at 6-30 p.m., to-day.
2. Leave of absence for 4 months' from the 20th August, 1891, has been granted to Bombr. A. J. Lennane.
3. The course of lectures by Capt. Smith, R A, on "The Defence of a Coast Fortress," will be continued at the Nesbit Road Head-quarters at 9-15 p.m., punctually, on Thursday next, the 3rd instant. Members of both Batteries are requested to make a point of attending these lectures.

By Order,
(Sd.) J. S. SLATER, Lieut.
Acting Adjutant, B. V. A.

THE *Novosti* observes that the stoppage of the export of rye will have the effect of a more or less disastrous character only on Austria and Germany, and not on England and France, which only import white wheat.

THE Russian Jews being under menace of expulsion have ceased giving credit to their orthodox customers, and have besides pressed for immediate payment of their bills. Nor will they execute orders except for cash, and they have increased the price of all their goods about 100 per cent. A droll story is told on this subject (says the Berlin gossip of the *Glasgow Herald*). Count Woronzow-Dasikoff, one of the arch-persecutors, wanting to make a birthday present to a member of the Imperial family, ordered a diamond bracelet of

SALES BY AUCTION.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & CO.,
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SALE OF COMMISSARIAT STORES, OILS IN DRUMS, EMPTY CASKS, COIR AND COTTON ROPES, PUKHALS, SHEDS, SCANTLINGS, IRON PERSIAN WHEEL, &c.

Under instructions from C. A. Turner, Esq, the receiver appointed in Suit Nos. 85 and 86 of 1888, Suleman Lucka vs. Vullibhoy Khanbhoy and others Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON and Co.will sell by Public Auction,THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 2nd September, 1891. at 2 p.m., at Vullibhoy Khanbhoy's yard, Waree Bunder, Hospital Lane, Mazagon, consisting a quantity of empty hogsheads (casks), kegs, drums of oils, hoop iron, hoops, iron weights, bamboo triangles, coir and cotton ropes, and strings Persian wheel (iron), pukhals, doles, mussaks, buckets, gunny pathals, boards, planks, joists,wood, bamboos, screws (bolts); stoves, tyre bars, C. I. kettles, iron rail pieces, hooks, broken treasury, buckles, old tables, couch, chairs, wooden powras, shafts, old hose leather, leather lace, dhapa stones, old trollies, cart, old sumda, mons, empty boxes, grain screens, sieves, broken grain mills and ship pumps, coal soot, iron water pipes, &c., &c.

Also materials of corrugated iron tiled and country tiled sheds, wooden chowky, &c.

SALE of Boiler, Lathe, Donkey Pumps, Punching and Shearing Machines, Iron Press with sets of dies, C. I. Fans, Trusses, Gilting Battery, Winch, Teak Scantling, &c.,

By order of C. A. Turner, Esq., Official Assignee, H. C. and Assignee for the estate and effects of Hirjeebhoy Rutonjee, Jussoo Mamma, an insolvent, the undersigned will sell by Public Auction on THURSDAY, the 10th September 1891, at 2 p. m. at Ripon Road, Old Race Course, (Muddonpoora), consisting a large screw-cutting self-acting lathe, a punching and shearing machine, donkey pump, C. I. fans, feed pump, rope machines, iron presses with sets of dies, travelling forge, safety bellows, anvil, 8bench vices, fly wheels, C.I. pulleys, couplings, valves, haftings, crank shafts, brackets, old and new iron t rolly wheels with W. I. axles, winch, grind-stone, C. I. troughs, grain mill, old tanks, crushing machines, suction pipes, tools, gilting battery, wooden modals, bullock gearing, old belting, small boiler teak frames, timber plates, scantlings, iron trusses, &c.

Also by order of C. A. Turner, Esquire, Official, Assignee, H. C., and with the consent of the Mortgagee, and on account of the said Insolvent—One Boiler (small).

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & CO.
Bombay, September 2, 1891.

BENNETT AND COMPANY,
No. 22, APOLLO STREET.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY AT THE CORNER OF CLARE AND SHEPHERD ROADS, BYCULLA.

Under instructions from the Trustees "Shepherd Trust" Messrs BENNETT and Co.will,THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 2nd inst. 4 p.m., sell by Public Auction on the premises the lease of the property for a term of 30 years in a plot of land containing 1,003 square yards and the building standing on the ground situated at Clare and Shepherd Roads, and bounded as follows:—On the north by the Shepherd Road, on the south by the Jews' Cemetry, on the west by the Clare Road, and on the east by other property belonging to the Trustees of the Shephord Trust.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to Messrs. Crawford, Burder, and Co., Solicitors for the Trustees, or to the undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF SLIGHTLY DAMAGED CARGO ex. S.S. "KNIGHT COMPANION."

TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, the 3rd inst. at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at the Prince's Dock, by order and on account and risk of the concerned.

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On SATURDAY, the 5th instant, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods.

AT 1-30 P.M.

1 trap with hood (nearly new) with a bay Arab pony, 14.3 and breast collar brown leather harness by DUNNETT and Co.

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AUCTION SALE OF WOOLEN GREY AND WHITE PIECE-GOODS, &c.

Under instructions from the receiver appointed in suit No. 320 of 1891, J. E. Sassoon and others vs. Hajee Jamal Hajee Ahmed and others) Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will, on WEDNESDAY, the 9th, instant, at 8 a.m., sell by Public Auction, at English Bazaar Street, near Jackaria Musjid, the whole of the stock-in-trade of Hajee Jamal Hajee Ahmed, consisting of socks, woolen shawls, drills, handkerchiefs, neckties, napkins, Turkish towels, morrocco leather, mainsocks, cashmere, merino, woolen checks, coating and trousers cloth, woolen shirts, &c., &c.

AUCTION SALE OF THE VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY ON THE ELPHINSTONE ESTATE. OUTSIDE THE FORT, BOMBAY.

On 16th day of September, 1891, at 4 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, on the premises by order of the Mortgagee Vankerdas Suratram of Kasodra in the Khandesh District and on account and at the risk of Soonderjee Bhajee Damjee Cooverjee and Dyal Dharamsee, carrying on trade in Bombay, under the name and style of Messrs Meghjee Punja and Co., in pursuance of the power of sale contained in an indenture of Mortgage, dated the 21st day of February, 1889, made between the said Soonderjee Bhanjee, Damjee Cooverjee and Dyal Dharamsee of the one part and the said Vankerdass Surutram of the other part.

All that piece or parcel of leasehold land or ground together with the hereditaments, messuages, tenements and buildings erected and standing thereon, situate, lying and being in the Baroda Street, Ward B, on the Elphinstone Estate, in the Registration sub-district of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 332 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded as follows,-that is to say, on or towards the north by Baroda Street, on or towards the south partly by land leased to Jewraun and partly by land leased to Nowla Purta, on or towards the east by land leased to Rawjee Jevram, and on or towards the west by land leased to Messrs Edward Bates and Co., which said hereditaments and premises are assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under No 3106 and by the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under Ward No. 5173 and Street or property No. 80, and are in the occupation of the said Messrs. Meghjee Punja and Co., and their tenants.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to the undersigned or to Dhondo Shamrao Govind, Esquire, Attorney for the mortgagee.

BENNETT & CO.
Bombay, September 2, 1891.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY,
No. 7, MARINE STREET.

SALE OF TEAK SCANTLINGS.

THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 2nd instant, at 4 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at the Byculla Saw Mills and Timber Works—

A quantity of mill-sawn timber of various sizes, and suitable for varieties of work, in lots to suit purchasers.

TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, the 3rd instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at Chinchpoogly Hill, the valuable and handsome French-polished blackwood and teakwood substantial made household furniture, best plated ware, crockery and glassware, China flower vases, table ornaments, Hinks's table and hanging lamps, pictures, carpets, &c., the property of H. COULDREY, Esq.

Catalogues are ready and the property is on view.

On SATURDAY, the 5th instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Workhouse Bridge Road, Middle Colaba, near the Tramway Terminus,the valuable and handsome French-polished blackwood and teakwood household furniture, best plated ware, rich crockery and glassware, a superior cabinet rosewood square pianoforte, rich table ornaments, China and Japanese vases, Hinks's table and hanging lamps, carpets, pictures, a first-rate large size cooking stove, with utensils, handsome clock, striking every half hour, &c., the property of W. SWANSEGER, Esq.

Catalogues will be published, and the property will be on view 4 days before the sale.

On WEDNESDAY, the 9th inst., at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Malabar Hill, near the Police Chowkey, (where the whole kit has been removed for sale) the valuable and handsome French-polished blackwood and teakwood household furniture by Wimbridge and Roberts, best electro-plated ware, rich crockery and glassware, handsome table ornaments, China and Japanese flower vases, Persian carpets, Hink's table and hanging lamps, oil-paintings, etc., the property of the late P. CLARKE, Esq.

Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view four days before the sale.

SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY AT CLARE ROAD, BYCULLA.

On SATURDAY, the 5th day of September, 1891, at 4 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, on the premises, by order of the mortgagee, Mr. Sorabjee Cowasjee Laha, and on account and at the risk of the mortgagor, Heerabai, wife of Bapujee Hormusjee Mody, in pursuance of the power of sale given in the indenture of mortgage, dated the 11th day of January, 1890, the following property:—

All that piece or parcel of Government land or ground, together with bungalow, houses, and out-houses standing thereon, situate, lying, and being at Clare Road, in the registration district of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 1,313·30 square yards or thereabouts, and being a portion of the land bearing Collector of Assessment Ward Nos. 3749, 3750, 3751, 3752, 3753, 3836 (2), and street Nos. 1,2,3,4,5,2A, and bounded on the east by footpath and beyond that by Clare Road aforesaid, on or towards the west and north by the property of Vullibhoy Cadurbhoy and others, and on or towards the south by the property of Mrs. Lake.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to Mr. Moolji Bhowanidass Barbhaya, Solicitor for the mortgagee, at his office, No. 9, Hornby Road, Fort, or to the undersigned.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

TUESDAY EVENING, SEPT. 1.

THE English and French Funds were unchanged yesterday, at Friday's quotations of 95⅛ for Consols, and 95½ for Rentes. Bar Silver was unaltered in London at 45 1-16d. per oz.; but Rupee Securities were ⅛ per cent. higher in Fours, and 1-16 in 4½ per cents., at £77⅛ and £76 9-16, respectively; while in New York the metal was ⅜ cent. lower at 98½ cents., with Exchange half a cent. down, at 4'84½ dollars. The Exchange Banks' buying rate in London on India at 30 days' sight was unchanged, at 1s. 5 1-16d.

The London Goat Skin Sales opened yesterday with a limited demand. The number of Goat Skins offered is 1,120,000; and 660,000 Sheep Skins are put forward at the same sales.

The Wheat Market was firm in tone, but prices receded ½d. per cental for No. 1 Soft White on the spot in Liverpool and 1d. for White Delhi at 8s. 8d. for the former, and 8s. 4d. for the latter, Ex Quay. Linseed was firm at previous quotations, both for spot and arrival Bombay Seed.

An advance of ¼d. per lb. took place in the price of spot Mid. American Cotton in Liverpool, making the rate 4 11-16d. per lb.; and Arrivals were 1-16d. higher; but East Indian Cotton was unchanged in value. The Market closed firm; Surats strong; and Arrivals quiet but steady; the day's Sales having aggregated 12,000 bales, inclusive of 600 East Indian. The day's Imports were 3,000 bales.

The Manchester Market was firm, with prices rather dearer owing to the advance in Cotton.

In New York also there was a further rise of ⅛ cent. in the price of ready Mid-Uplands, at 8⅜ cents; while September Futures were 6 points higher, at 8·26 cents. The Receipts of Cotton at the U. S. Ports yesterday were 14,000 bales, compared with 17,000 bales (34,000 for two days) last year on the corresponding day, and 12,100 the year before.

Locally, business has been almost a blank to-day, the Wheat and Seed Markets, and virtually the Freight Market also, having been closed for a native holiday.

COTTON has been steady in tone and unchanged in value, but nothing whatever has been done for export; while the Mills have taken only 200 bales of Julgaum, at Rs. 158; and 100 Western, at Rs. 155 per candy.

The Receipts of Produce into Bombay on Sunday and yesterday were as follows:—

Cotton	676 bales.
Wheat	92,713 cwts.
Linseed	10,612 "
Rapeseed	4,251 "
Poppy seed	1,966 "
Groundnuts	3,652 "
Castor seed	2,815 "

EXCHANGE has been again steady at the quotations of the last two or three days' notwithstanding the fall in Silver in New York chronicled above. Several of the Banks have been willing to sell Demand at 1s. 5 7-32d. for the mail, and at 1s. 5½d. a little forward; but buyers have held back. A few Private Bills have been placed at 1s. 5 13-32d. for two or three mails in September, for three months' sight Credits, but very little business has been passing. The feeling at closing was steady to firm, at the following ready quotations:—

Bank Bills on Demand	1s. 5 7-32d.	per rupee.
Do. Telegraphic	1s. 5 3-16d.	"
Do. 3 months' sight	1s. 5 5-16d.	"
Credits do.	1s. 5 13-32d.	"
Francs do.	1·83¼	"

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—Following settling day, this market has, as usual, been quiet in tone, with little fresh business doing. Rates for Fours have, however, receded considerably, 107 15-16 having been quoted for cash, and afterwards 107⅞, with the September account, at 107 11-16; but before closing a further drop of 5-16 per cent. had taken place.

SHARES have been quite neglected to-day on all lines, and our quotations, with the exception of a decline of Rs. 25 in Luckmidas Mill Shares, are quite unchanged.

RAJPUTANA-MALWA RAILWAY.

[Includes the Rajputana, Holkar, Sindh-Neemuch, Rewari-Ferozepore, and Cawnpore-Achnera State Railways.]

Approximate return of traffic for the week ended 22nd August, 1891, on 1,671·82 miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings [estimated.]	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total traffic for the week	95,600	1,82,000	5,000	2,82,000
Or per mile of railway	57	109	3	169
For previous 7 weeks of half-year	6,92,503	14,24,303	29,634	21,46,413
Total for 8 weeks.	7,87,596	16,06,303	34,634	24,28,413
Comparison Total for corresponding week of previous year [on 1,671·82 miles open]	90,397	1,03,295	3,810	2,08,502
Per mile of Ry do.	58	65	2	125
Total to corresponding date do.	7,59,194	9,92,039	31,422	17,81,655

Increase for the week ..... Rs. 73,498
Do. to date ..... " 6,45,788

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORTS.

SEPTEMBER 1.

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

GREAT BRITAIN.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.
CONTINENT OF EUROPE.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.
AMERICA.—Via Brest, perfect. Via Valentia, perfect. Via Direct Cable, perfect.
AUSTRALIA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.
CHINA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.

Telegrams for Antofa, Gusta, Iquique, and remaining offices in Chili may be in preconcerted language, but are sent at sender's risk.

Land lines Valparaiso to Serena still interrupted.

Telegrams for Guatemala only will be accepted at sender's risk.

Valparaiso Santiago in communication with Southern Chili—open, via Lisbon only.

Communication between Battambang and Bangkok interrupted.

FOREIGN TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE.

LATEST dates of foreign messages received at Bombay from the United Kingdom during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m. of the 1st September, 1891.

(Difference in longitude allowed for.)

Via.	Latest Date. D.	H.	M.	Time occupied in transmission. Hours.	Minutes.
Turkey	31	8	4 p.m.	23	47
Teheran	1	11	46 a.m.	1	17
Suez	1	2	40 p.m.	0	21

Time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay during the 24 hours ending 8 p.m. on 1st September 1891.

	Maximum Time. H.	M.	Minimum. H.	M.
From Calcutta	..	19	..	7
" Kurrachee	..	31	..	3
" Madras	..	14	..	1

RAINFALL IN BOMBAY.

	Byculla. In. cts.	Fort. In. cts.	Esplanade. In. cts.	Colaba. In. cts.
Previously registered	72 26	57 52	54 96	53 36
Tuesday, Sept. 1	3 45	0 60	0 50	0 25
Total	75 71	58 12	55 46	53 61
Total fall to 1st September 1890	67 42	63 48	70 63	56 77
Total fall to 1st September 1889	61 86	67 85	63 38	61 59

Rainfall at Byculla registered from 6 p.m. to 6 p.m.; at the Fort and Esplanade from 8 a.m. to 8 a.m.; and at Colaba from 6 a.m. to 6 a.m.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

MONDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 31.

10 p.m. .. .. 78·5

TUESDAY NIGHT, SEPTEMBER 1.

6 a.m. .. .. 76·1
10 a.m. .. .. 79·4
2 p.m. .. .. 78·5
6 p.m. .. .. 76·2

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

EUROPE.

BIRTHS.

BAILLIE—August 6, at Saumarez-street, Guernsey, wife of Capt R Baillie, Indian (Bombay) Staff Corps, of a son.
HAMILTON—August 9, at Lancaster House, Palace-road, Tulse-hill, S W, wife of A S Hamilton (late of Calcutta), of a son.

MARRIAGES.

ST. GEORGE—ELDRIDGE—July 23, at Irvington-on-Hudson, New York State, Col E St George, H M's Bengal Staff Corps (Retired), to Alice Lee, widow of F G Eldridge, of New York, U S A.
WATTS—HAY—August 11, at the parish church, Slough, Col. J G Watts, Indian Staff Corps, to Gertrude, daughter of late Surg J M Hay, M D, Indian Medical Service.
WISE—SHORTLAND—August 5, at All Saints', Ryde, T A Wise, M A, of Oakfield, Rugby, son of late Mr Justice Wise, of the Supreme Court, Sydney, New South Wales, to Fanny Estelle, daughter of late Maj-Gen V T Shortland, M S C.

DEATHS.

BEAUFORT—August 6, at Lewisham, Kent, Francis Beaufort, Major, Royal Artillery, No 7, Mountain Battery, Quotta, aged 38.
BISS—July 29, Webster Biss, late of the Indian Civil Service, aged 59.
DENNY—August 8, at Brighton, Marion Alice, wife of C C Denny, and daughter of late Lieut-Col Groundwater, H E I C S.
DUMBELL—August 6, from paralysis, Henry Charles Dumbell, youngest son of the late George William Dumbell, of Douglas, Isle-of-Man, aged 43.
GRIFFITHS—August 12, at Guines, near Calais, Jane, widow of Gen J G Griffiths, Royal Bombay Artillery, aged 78.
MACQUOID—August 6, at Ostend, Belgium, P M T (Pat), aged 14, and, in the attempt to save him, his brother, R T H (Tim), aged 17, sons of the late Bt-Col R K Macquoid, of H M I A.
MERRICK—July 24, at Portrush (Ireland), Col T C Merrick, late Bengal Staff Corps.
MIDWINTER—August 13, in London, William Colpoys Midwinter, Deputy Commissioner of Burmah, (U I C S), son of late Rev N Midwinter, of St Michael's, Winchester, aged 47.
MONCKTON—August 2, at Bargate, Brewood, Staffordshire, Major John Edmonstone Monckton, late of the 2nd Madras Light Cavalry, H E I C S, aged 74 years.
STUART—August 6, at Rugby, Georgina P Stuart, widow of the Rev H W Stuart, of the late H E I C S.
WINTER—August 6, at Simla, Rev R R Winter, M A, for thirty years Missionary at Delhi, (S P G), aged 55.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

BATTYE—August 26, at Calcutta, the wife of R Battye, Esq. of a daughter.
INGLIS—August 27, at the Magistrate's House, Alipur, the wife of Thomas Inglis, Bengal Civil Service, of a son.
LEWES—August 9, at Aska, Ganjam, the wife of Sergt W Lewis, of a son.
SANFORD—August 19, at Vizianagram, the wife of P M Sanford, of Bimlipatam, of a son.

MARRIAGE.

KINDERSLEY—HAMILTON—August 25, at Murree, by the Rev W F Armstrong, Maitland FitzRoy Kindersley, Royal Scots Fusiliers, youngest son of E L Kindersley, Esq, of Clyffe, Dorchester, Dorset, to Constance Mary, second daughter of Colonel Hamilton, late Scottish Rifles.

The Bombay Gazette

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1891.

THE educative influence of the Age Act, on which, among other grounds, Sir Andrew Scoble based his advocacy of that beneficent measure, has unmistakeably set in around us. Since the passing of that Act, native papers have been anxiously discussing the problem of setting their house in order. A Bengali contemporary some months ago wrote forcibly on the subject of religious reformation. A society was proposed to be started in certain quarters with the view of taking measures to re-habilitate the Hindu faith so as to adjust it to the new requirements of the times. But though the subject, which is not so easy of solution as the promoters of the scheme appear to have thought, failed to attract any more attention than was given to it by native papers in a couple of articles, it indicates the direction in which native thought has been impelled by the force of the recent legislative enactment. A spirit of inquiry is abroad. People have begun seriously to think if it is not time they began to mend their ways of living and thinking. As an illustration of this, we might refer to the movement which, we understand, has been set on foot at Ahmedabad by some Hindu gentlemen of influence and position to raise the marriageable age for girls to a reasonable limit. Circulars have been sent round with the view of gauging influential opinion on this subject, and if it is found practicable to come to a common understanding, it is, we are informed, proposed to give effect to it by stringent caste-regulations. The same desire was manifested in the prospectus of a conference held last week at Nasik of the Kayastha Prabhu community, one of the questions for discussion in which was, if or not, in view of the Age Act, it was desirable to raise the marriageable age for girls of that caste to twelve at least. About seventy members of the caste attended in that sacred and most orthodox of cities, and a resolution was passed affirming the desirability of postponing marriage until the age of twelve. A more general meeting of the Kayasths to further discuss this and other questions of social reform will be held at Thana in the Easter holidays next year. Members of the same caste are making active efforts for the furtherance of widow re-marriage. A Kayastha Prabhu, we are told, appealed pathetically some weeks ago in behalf of his widowed sister in the columns of a Poona paper. The appeal called forth the efforts of another of the same caste, who exhorted his castemen to sign a declaration announcing their approval of the re-marriage of at least such of the girls of their caste as had become widows before attaining womanhood. He further announced that on securing something like a hundred signatures to the declaration, he and his friends were ready to have a widow re-marriage performed. What has become of his appeal is not yet known. We only refer to it as another indication of the educative influence of the Age Act in encouraging the cause of social reform, and preparing the scattered force of reformers in the Hindu community for united action. An apposite illustration of the same thing was the bold stand made by Shenvi Brahmin reformers the other day against the sudden onset of orthodox opinion, and which appears to have contributed not a little to the efforts of the Kayastha Prabhus referred to above. When to all this is added the fact that the Maharaja of Jeypore and the Maharaja of Bhownagar have introduced the Age Act into their territories, the remark that Sir Andrew Scoble calculated rightly upon the educative influence of the measure he was proposing will appear needless.

Side by side with this, it is curious to note the noise made by the reactionary party in Poona. The rancorous portion of the Poona press, in their eagerness perhaps to compete with their Bengali compatriots, went on vehemently denouncing everything bearing on it the stamp of reform, until one of them had to abjectly apologize to a lady whom he was boorish enough to defame. The whole reactionary press of Poona has, in fact, been raving, and frantic efforts are being made by the party to champion orthodoxy and obstruct the cause of reform. It is interesting to know that even in these days, and in a city like Poona, people of social standing and respectability, though indeed of little education, are to be found ready with a proposal to excommunicate some educated Brahmin gentlemen who drank tea at a mission house in Poona. Amongst the number were some who have been busy, since the introduction of the Age Bill into the Council, fighting the battle of orthodoxy out of doors as sedulously as they violate it in private. As it was not, therefore, possible for the promoters of orthodoxy to put their proposal of ex-communication in that concrete form, and wreak their vengeance on the supporters of the Age Bill, who formed the majority of the guests at the tea-party, they started a movement with the view of inflicting the punishment of ex-communication on like recalcitrants in the future. The following they declared to be the planks of their platform: Prohibiting a Brahmin from eating food or drinking water defiled by the touch of a non-Brahmin; forbidding alcoholic drinks, and flesh, fish or fowl as food; interdicting foreign travel; disallowing widow re-marriage; and inhibiting social intercourse with those guilty of infringing any of the above mandates. No sooner were these articles of faith trumpeted, than there was a flutter amongst the leaders of the orthodox party, who would any day do behind the curtain what they would denounce on the platform, and to whom, therefore, this unexpected move in the camp under their supposed lead must have caused no small alarm and anxiety. With a view, it appears, to make their position comfortable, these leaders hastened to propose to their supposed followers what they thought should be the right basis of action. The original proposers of the scheme of ex-communication are, we learn, going about from door to door collecting signatures of those of their persuasion. A vernacular organ of reform in Poona has been, we are told, exposing the hollowness and unwisdom of this retrograde movement, and boldly pushing forward the claims of reform. The so-called leaders of orthodoxy have been unveiled and placed by the Poona paper in their real form before the public. The people may be loth to part with their aid, but it seems they are beginning to see that they cannot safely rely on their guidance any longer. To add to this confusion, the priests are said to be belabouring men of their own order for associating with the supporters of the Age Act in religious matters. Every such guilty head is being subjected to a penance and fined. A local native contemporary, commenting some days ago on this ferment in Poona, remarked that it was a most deplorable state to be in. "Nothing short of a revolution," he observed, "will set right this confusion. We are afraid our nation must pass through a severe ordeal before our national faith is set firm on a reasonable basis."

To by-standers all this means progress. When once the forces of national upheaval begin to operate, they operate in a series of actions and reactions, so that the motion of the public mind may be likened to that of the sea when the tide is rising. "Each successive wave," to borrow Macaulay's language, "rushes forward, breaks, and rolls back; but the great flood is steadily coming in. A person who looked on the waters only for a moment might fancy that they were retiring, or that they obeyed no fixed law, but were rushing capriciously to and fro. But when he keeps his eye on them for a quarter of an hour, and sees one land-mark disappear after another, it is impossible for him to doubt of the general direction in which the ocean is moved." Just such has been the course of events in this country since the influences of western education began to operate. Those who understand the wave of Poona reaction in its true light will not mistake it for a general ebb. They will see that it is but that recoil which regularly follows every advance, and will with confidence look forward to its being submerged beneath a mightier volume of reforming opinion.

THE public must by this time have become tired of Mr. Holt Hallett, and we can imagine that the Demographic Section of the Congress of Hygiene yawned as it listened the other day to the repetition of his familiar fallacies about Indian factory life. But he is an obstinate man, and no sooner has one set of his misrepresentations been disposed of than he comes forward with another, ready to start the whole controversy again from the beginning. Amongst his latest efforts is an answer which the *Times* permits him to make to Sir George Campbell's onslaught upon the assumption that "all sorts of terrible abominations go on in Indian factories." He justifies the assumption in the first place by a reference to the abominations, as he calls them, which have been reported concerning some of the cotton presses and ginning mills in Khandeish. If the English public, the majority of whom have no idea what a cotton press or a gin is, can be trusted to believe that all this applies to the Indian factory system as a whole, Mr. Holt Hallett will get something for his pains. Anyhow, an accurate disputant would have acknowledged the fact that even if the Khandeish cotton presses and ginning mills were as bad as they were said to have been in 1884, they have since been brought under a law which will make it henceforth impossible for anything of the kind to occur again. And herein lies the besetting sin of Mr. Holt Hallett's controversy. Throughout his argument he treats the new Act as though it had never been passed or thought of, as though we were at the beginning of the enquiry instead of at the end of it. As to his distortion of the obvious meaning of the documents from which he quotes, two examples will suffice. Thus he says that witnesses examined in Bombay and Cawnpore proved that it was the general rule for "all children" under twelve to be certified as above that age, so that they might be employed as full timers. The Commission themselves said "hundreds" between nine and twelve were so employed, the explanation being that it is impossible to guess with accuracy the age of any child who may be over ten and under thirteen. Then again, as an instance of "what may be expected in the same direction"—the provisions of the new Act being entirely ignored in his forecast—he quotes certain passages from the Commissioner's report in which, by way of showing the undesirability of establishing a "young persons" category of workers from twelve to fourteen years of age, it is argued that if young persons are recognized as a separate class of protected persons, and their hours limited to, say, 10, this class will, as far as the factories that do not work on the shift system are concerned, cease to exist. "What will happen will be that children and young persons of 11, 12, and 13 years of age will either be passed as over 14 and worked as adults, or the 10 hours of work for young persons will, on some pretext or another, be extended to the full time for which the machine is running." Now it is characteristic of Mr. Holt Hallett's controversial ethics that he entirely ignores the fact that the Act creates no "young persons" category, the children's age having been raised to fourteen, so that the suppositions of the Commissioner as to what would happen if such a category were created are entirely beside the mark. One more illustration will suffice. Every male hand over fourteen years of age, he says, who gave evidence before the Commission begged that the limits of the working day might be fixed. Let us see what the Commissioners say on this subject:—"In regard to the question, 'do the mill operatives desire that a general working day shall be fixed by law?' we would reply that taking the evidence obtained by us as a whole the operatives desire that the present working day—daylight to dusk should be continued. Some intelligent mill hands have, no doubt, expressed a desire to have fixed hours, but others, and these are the poorer operatives, object very decidedly to any alteration in the present rate, which is likely to reduce their wages." Here

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

PRINCE GEORGE OF WALES.

LONDON, SEPT. 1.

It is reported that Prince George of Wales has been appointed to the command of H. M. S. Anson having refused the command of the Royal Yacht Osborne, preferring active service.

GOOD-SERVICE PENSION FOR A BOMBAY OFFICER.

LONDON, SEPT. 1.

It is officially announced that a good-service pension has been conferred on Colonel Anderson, of the Bombay Staff Corps.

SETTLEMENT OF THE CIVIL WAR IN CHILI.

The settlement of the Civil War in Chili has strengthened the revival in the Stock Exchange.

AFFAIRS IN CHILI.

APPOINTMENT OF A TEMPORARY PRESIDENT.

VALPARAISO, AUG. 31.

General Baquedano, of the Congressionist Army, has been appointed to act temporarily as President of Chili.

The army of ex-President Balmaceda has generally given in its adherence to the Congressionists, except at Coquimbo.

Several of the leading officials in President Balmaceda's Government having been shot summarily, the Admirals of the foreign war vessels at Valparaiso, with whom a number of ex-Ministers have taken refuge, refuse to surrender them to the Congressionists without a guarantee that they will be given a fair trial.

THE MAILS.

ADEN, SEPT. 1.

The s. s. Rohilla, with the English mails of the 21st ultimo, left here for Bombay at noon to-day.

MEMORIAL TO MR. QUINTON.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, SEPT. 1.

A monument of a simple character is to be erected by Government over the grave of Mr. Quinton and his companions at Manipur. In the Cathedral at Calcutta a tablet will also be placed to their memory.

THE MANIPUR RAJASHIP.

Within the next fortnight the succession to the Rajaship of Manipur will be settled, enquiries having been instituted as to the eligible members of the collateral branches of the former ruling family.

OFFICIAL COMPETITION WITH PRIVATE TRADE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, SEPT. 1.

The Madras press is again taking up the subject of official interference with private trade as experienced in the Lawrence Asylum Press, which is again adding machinery to its plant. The *Mail* points out that no reply has yet been received by the local printers who memorialised the Madras Government fifteen months ago, backed by a protest of the Trades Association.

CONGRESS MEETING AT MEERUT.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

MEERUT, SEPT. 1.

Pandit Ajudhianath Madanmohan Malaviya addressed a public meeting at the Meerut Association Hall last evening. Babu Raghubir Saran Das occupied the chair. The Pandit said it was wrong to say that Government was hostile to the Congress. As one among numerous proofs, he referred to recent letters of the Viceroy on the subject, which demonstrated the hollowness of objections based on the supposed conflict of Hindu and Mahomedan interests, and showed that the chances of success were in every way encouraging. Over Rs. 400 was subscribed, and the proceedings terminated with cheers for the Queen-Empress.

THE ANTI-OPIUM ALLIANCE MEETING AT POONA.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, SEPT 1.

A crowded, well sustained, and enthusiastic public meeting on the anti-opium question, attended by hundreds of leading Hindus, was held to-night in the Joshi Hall, Poona City, and it was unanimously decided to form a branch of the Bombay Anti-opium Alliance. Rao Bahadur Gopal Hari Deshmuk presided.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

LONDON, AUG. 31.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Macneil arrived here the day before yesterday (evening).

The B. I. S. N. Company's steamer Mombassa left here three days ago (evening).

PENANG, SEPT. 1.

The Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's s. s. Pandora, from Hongkong, left this for Bombay this afternoon.

COLOMBO, SEPT. 1.

The mail steamer Oceana from Australia and the Peninsular from China have arrived.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, AUG. 31.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed firm. Surats strong.

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The Manchester Market has been firm and rather dearer owing to cotton.

Exchange on India, 30 days' sight.	1s. 5 1-16d.
2½ per cent. Consols for account...	95⅞
3 per cent. French Rentes	95¼
4 per cent. Rupee Paper	77¼
4½ per cent. "	76 9-16
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	107½
Bar Silver	45 1-16

THE Bombay Philharmonic Society were unfortunate in fixing on last evening for their Concert, for the rain kept pouring in a way that caused many to forego the pleasure of appearing at the Town Hall. Notwithstanding this, and the fact that even some members of the Society were absent from their places on the platform, the rendering of "The Ancient Mariner" was musically a great success. The choruses went with precision and spirit, and the solos, one and all, were sung with much taste and expression. An account of the concert will appear in our next issue.

THE members of the Bombay Ladies' Branch of the National Indian Association will to-day hold their bi-monthly conversazione at Mrs. Branson's bungalow for the last time before that lady's departure for England. It is hoped, writes the Secretary, that members will make a point of being present to show their appreciation of Mrs. Branson's great kindness.

TABLE TALK.

[BY WALTER BESANT.]

LONDON AUG. 14.

GENERAL BOOTH has arrived in Africa this week. In his absence, I fear, the Salvation Army will droop and languish. It has always seemed to me that the great cause of the success which the Army has received, of its maintenance and endurance, is that it was started, is governed, and is kept together entirely by that very curious force which is variously called enthusiasm, aaimal magnetism, mesmerism, or force of character. The Army is mesmerized by its General. He imposes upon them his will. He makes them think and act as he commands. He will bear no freedom of thought, no questioning: all is to be simple obedience. Discipline however there is none, except that those who can no longer obey must go. There are no vows; there are no rules. The history of the Franciscan monks—Professor Huxley was the first clearly to see and to point out the parallel—is the only thing in history which can compare with the Salvation Army. But the Professor, I think, under-estimates the power—the magnetic and irresistible power—of enthusiasm. Any one who has attended great meetings of the Army must recognise their knowledge of the great art of kindling enthusiasm. It is by this power that they may succeed where the Church has failed. As for the objections that the work is to be accompanied by some form of Christianity, that, to my mind, matters nothing. So long as a man can be turned from crime, vice, and laziness to honest work, it matters little whether he is a sober Anglican or a "Corybantic Christian"—excellent definition of the Army! The General mesmerizes his officers, the officers mesmerize the rank and file, all together mesmerize those of the "submerged" who are capable of feeling the soft influence of sympathy.

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And there is another thing to note which the opponents of the General have passed over. It is the personal service that he enlists everywhere. Personal service is the note of the day. Formerly the cheque-book opened the gates of heaven and filled the coffers of the alms distributor. Now it is perceived that personal service is far more efficacious. Man cannot raise his brother by a machinery of parish and curate and district visitor. These are only useful in collecting the facts. Personal service—personal service—is wanted. Hence the settlements that are springing up—Toynbee Hall, Oxford House, University Hall, and half-a-dozen others. Booth's army is another and a much larger illustration of this principle. The Salvation lasses give themselves to the work, and they do their work fearlessly. "Yesterday," I was told by one who has recently been carrying on a little independent research, "I saw a man and woman, both of the worst type conceivable, coming out of a public-house drunk. To them stepped up two Salvation lasses, slips of girls. 'Come along, my dear,' one said to the woman; and 'Come along, my friend,' the other said to the man. 'Barricks is the place,' and marched them off, unresisting, to barracks. When the founder of such a sect dies, it is like the cessation of work by the dynamo. All the electric lights go out at once; there is an end of the mesmerism; the central force has gone. The doctrines may remain; he may leave behind him a great body of disciples forced to keep up the Church by every motive of self-respect, self-interest, and enthusiasm. But the central force is gone. Compare Wesleyanism fifty years after his death with the church of Wesley himself. Crystallization sets in when you write down a creed. The Salvation Army has no creed, and while the General lasts there will be none. Afterwards, who can say what may happen? For my own part, as I fully expect an outbreak of religious wars, some time or other, compared with which the mere wars of nations will be mild, I cannot but look on the Salvation Army as a possible auxiliary with the Wesleyans and other Nonconformists and the Freemasons, on the side on which I hope that my grandchildren will be fighting. It will break out in their time most likely. In other words, if one may be allowed to express an opinion without offence to those who think otherwise, I find in General Booth's legions a humble but widely-spread demonstration against authority. Let us think rightly or let us think wrongly, but let us think by the light of whatever reason has been vouchsafed to us.

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ONE can go to church by telephone. Very good indeed. Now there will be no excuse. A bad cold, a headache, fatigue, will no longer serve. The telephone can be turned on, and an anxious wife will probably sit with the patient husband, and make sure that he loses nothing of the sermon. How much better than to be reading a novel while the wife and family have all gone off to service! This development of the telephone opens up many other interesting lines of departure. For instance, a member of Parliament may now not only assist at a debate in the smoking-room of his club, or even his own bed-room, but he may take part in it. The prospect brings new terrors to the political life. Fancy never being able to get away from your duties! Fancy never being able to escape the awful voice of Mr. Bletherer!

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HERE is a practical development of the invention which I present to everybody. If there is one terror more than another which makes life a burden to many, especially to ladies living in the country, it is the dread of burglars. Bolts and bars are of no avail. The little dog is bright, but he may be poisoned. Every night the inmates of the house lie down in terror; most nights they wake up in an agony. Now I propose that the telephone should be laid on from the bed-room to the police station, with the understanding that if the police are called needlessly, a certain fine shall be inflicted. With what safety, with what lightness of heart, would the most maidenly of elderly ladies lie down to rest with the mouthpiece of the telephone within reach of her lips!

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I ONCE knew two ladies who lived together and were horribly afraid of burglars. One evening one of them went upstairs in search of something. While she was in the room looking for what she wanted in the dark, her sister came up, too, for something else. First sister hearing a noise in the room concluded it was burglars. She instantly, and with great presence of mind, crept under the bed. Second sister, hearing a noise also in the room, also concluded it was burglars, and with equal presence of mind bundled under the bed. Both say, now, that they went under the bed in search of the burglar. Their nephews and nieces, who have expectations, do not dare to question the motive of this courageous act. Under the bed, however, their heads bumped. When the servant rushed upstairs with a candle, she found both ladies "gone off." They were, indeed, invisible but for their feet, which stuck out. Now suppose they had had a telephone. I think I have made out a case.

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ONE reads that a "rain-maker" in Ohio has been making quantities of rain. It is said that he fires cannons, or in some way makes a noise: but, perhaps, that is not his method. Whatever it is, one would seriously advise that rain-maker to keep himself and his machinery out of England, for of rain we have enough, and more than enough. Finer weather is what we want and are always wanting. We get it, generally, when it is of no use to anybody—after the harvest—after the holidays—after the haying—after the hopping. Such a thing as a really fine long summer is spoken of by a few gray-bearded tottering elders. When did we have it last?

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THE Authors' Society is advocating the foundation of an Authors' Club, of which one already exists in New York. There is no literary club in existence at all in London, which is strange, considering how vast are now the interests of literature. Many literary men are in the Athenæum; many in the Saville; many in the Arts; a few in the Carrick; some in the Savage. There is no club where all the members must belong in some way to the literary life. People imagine that such a club would consist wholly of novelists, or of such dependent, unhappy, penniless persons who have made a trade of letters without having any of the qualifications necessary for success. Not at all. The latter class will be excluded by reason of poverty; they will not be able to pay the subscriptions. Consider, however. In every profession there are men who are distinctly literary. There is the physician who writes treatises; the architect who writes monograms; the barrister who writes law books; the clergyman who publishes his sermons; the learned professor who writes histories, and essays, and criticisms; the schoolmaster who writers educational books. There are the leader writers. There are the men who contribute papers to the magazines. There is the merchant who makes letters his relaxation and his joy. These, in addition to the novelists, and the dramatists, and the poets. I believe that the club, if properly managed, will become a great success. It should be, from the outset, a "swagger" club, well appointed, with new departures. A club of cheerfulness; a club without cliques; a club where everybody knows everybody else; a club to be envied and talked about. I hope we may live to talk a good deal about it.

A RIDE FROM BOMBAY TO POONA.

CONSIDERING that the journey to Poona by rail usually takes six hours, by some trains more, people were rather inclined to discredit the news, on first hearing them, that a sporting horseman had ridden on pony-back from Bombay to Poona in nine and a half hours, or, including stoppages by the way, eleven hours. Yet such is the case, Mr. D. J. Tata, a Parsee gentleman well known in Bombay, having accomplished that feat on Thursday last. There is the record of a military officer, many years ago, attempting a ride against time from Poona to Bombay, and accomplishing it in a very short time, considerably less indeed than Mr. Tata. But then that was a ride in which the horseman simply leapt at the different stages from one horse to another, and sped on his way without any delay, while the road when it was not quite level lay down-hill. Mr. Tata, on the contrary, had one or two stages, which were necessarily slow, owing to the steep hills he had to climb, as he told our representative who called upon him to have the story of his exciting ride on his return to Bombay, and the ponies provided for him in some instances were none of the best nor fastest. Those who have had much experience of the Matheran tattoo will understand what that means. Besides, Mr. Tata was not attempting what one would call a feat. It was simply a trial to give him an idea of how long the journey might take should he in the future think of making, in earnest, a ride against time between the two cities; and when we proceed to explain how the present journey was accomplished, it is not going too far to say he will be able to considerably reduce the time if he again makes the attempt.

For several weeks before, Mr. Tata undertook occasional short rides along the route to make himself acquainted with the road, and in order that he might be able to divide it into proper stages. The next thing he had to do was to engage a tattoowalla from Matheran to provide him with ponies, and also to have them ready at the various places on the day of the ride. Four of these ponies Mr. Tata selected himself, but the remaining eight—the journey of 106 miles having been divided into twelve stages—were chosen by the tattoo man himself, and it may therefore be guessed Mr. Tata had one or two very unsatisfactory stages, losing time through animals that would not go. The following table shows the different places where horses were changed, the time it took to cover the ground between each halting-place, and the hours of arrival at and departure from each stage:—

	Arrival.	Departure.
Chinchpoogly	...	4-40
Government House North Gate.	...	4-50
Coorla	5-25	5-30
Thanna	6-15	6-30
Dahisar	7-25	7-30
Panwell	8-30	8-45
Chowk	9-43	9-51
Khapoli	10-35	10-47
Toll-gate Ghat	11-12	11-15
Lanowlee	11-37	11-41
Khadkale	12-43	12-50
Khindi	1-45	1-52
Chinchwadi	3-10	3-20
Kirkee	3-45	...

The average distance between each stage was about nine miles, although the road between Khapoli and Lanowlee, which was only 8½ miles, was divided into two stages, owing to the steepness and roughness of the ascent.

Starting at 4-45 on the morning of Thursday last from Chinchpoogly, progress was slow at first owing to the procession of carts in the street, but after passing Government House North Gate Mr. Tata got away at a brisk canter, keeping up the pace as far as Coorla. There he got across a pony which seemed fresh and eager to go. Mr. Tata accordingly gave him rein, and let him go as he pleased, making a quick run to Thanna. Much time was as a matter of course lost between Khapoli and Lanowlee for the reason already mentioned, as again between Khindi and Chinchwadi, where he got a pony that would not go, despite spur and whip which were freely used. The above table will show it took a long time to accomplish that distance—half an hour more indeed than it ought to have done. Kirkee was reached at a quarter to four in the afternoon, exactly eleven hours after setting off from Chinchpoogly in the morning; but allowing an hour and a half for stoppages, Mr. Tata was nine hours and a half in the saddle, a performance upon which he is to be congratulated, and which it is to be hoped he will beat on a future occasion when he will make a careful selection of his ponies for himself.

THE ROMANCE OF A DIAMOND OF GREAT PRICE.

THE Secunderabad correspondent of an up-country paper is responsible for the story of a Cape diamond. The Mr. Jacob whose name is mentioned is perhaps best known to fame as the Mr. Isaacs of Mr. Marion Crawford's novel of that name. The connoisseur of diamonds will be able to appreciate the full value of the gem here in question when he remembers that the Kohinur is valued at £250,000—only about two thirds of the forty-six lakhs at which Mr. Jacob estimated the money value of this new Stone of Destiny. Here is the story as the correspondent tells it:—

The story of a hitherto insignificant diamond will doubtless furnish a few minutes interesting reading outside the narrow limits of Hyderabad. It is in every mouth locally. The diamond is a large unchristened Cape one. Having been described in glowing terms to the Nizam by Mr. Jacob, the well-known jeweller of Northern India, His Highness the Nizam decided upon purchasing it for forty-six lakhs of rupees! Mark the price. The diamond was sent for from England some months ago. But before the precious gem arrived in India, His Highness was induced to deposit twenty-three lakhs in the Chartered Mercantile Bank in Calcutta in part payment of the purchase. The diamond was brought to Hyderabad in due course and made over to the Nizam, and nothing outside the precincts of the place was known either of the diamond or the purchase. But time reveals all things, and it revealed Mr. Jacob's successful bargain and the Nizam's readiness to patronize him. As was to be expected, Sir Dennis Fitzpatrick waxed very wrath at the idea of twenty-three lakhs of rupees being swept out of the State treasury at a time when the money could be more judiciously expended in averting the threats of famine in the country. So he politely requested the Nizam to resist the allurement of the gem and get back the enormous sum. His Highness, ever ready to accept good counsel from the Resident, promptly returned the diamond to Mr. Jacob, and demanded the return of the twenty-three lakhs. Now comes the rub. Mr. Jacob, so the story runs, replied that he was prepared to refund the money provided he got back some seven lakhs or so which he was forced to spend before he could effect the sale of the gem to the Nizam. This has naturally led to some ugly complications. The Nizam's Government have, however, filed a suit in the High Court at Calcutta against Mr. Jacob for the recovery of the twenty-three lakhs which was deposited as part payment for the now famous diamond. The matter will not terminate in the Calcutta High Court, though it is now before the Government of India and will be questioned in Parliament before long.

We hear that the opinion of eminent Bombay counsel has been taken as to the practicability of recovering the deposit of twenty-three lakhs in the bank mentioned.

The *France Militaire* informs us that M. Giffard is at the present time studying the application of his system of liquified gas—which, as our readers are aware, has so far only been tentatively used for fowling pieces—to military rifles. Our contemporary is bold enough to prophesy that this will be the arm of the future.

SOLDIERS' INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION AT POONA.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, SEPT. 1.

THE annual exhibition of the industrial work of soldiers was opened this evening by H. E. the Commander-in-Chief, Sir George Greaves, in the Soldiers' Institute. The first of these exhibitions was opened in 1866, and since that time the exhibition has been held from year to year with varying success. Last year the number of entries was 951, being 185 exhibits by men, 29 by women, and 91 by children, whilst this year the entries were increased to 1,037, being 180 by men, 89 by women, and 87 by children. The increase, it will be seen, was solely in the women's sections, those of the men, for whom the exhibition was particularly organised, having decreased by 5 entries. Generally speaking, the class of work exhibited was hardly up to the high standard that characterised the display during the residence of H. H. the Duke of Connaught, but still much energy, skill, and ingenuity is shown by many of the exhibitors. The leather and saddlery class was generally considered to be the one in which the entries throughout showed considerable skill and efficiency. The first prize in this class was taken by Mochee Lingoo Luxmon, R. H. A., for a double set of harness, which was an excellent specimen of work in leather. Carpenters' and coopers' work was also very good, and the 1st prize of Rs. 50 was carried off by Havildar Ravjee Sootar, of the 28th Pioneers, for a beautifully finished chest-of-drawers. The works of Bombardier Wheeler Smith, R. H. A., a pair of splendid carriage wheels, for which he took the second prize, were also worthy of every praise for their strength and finish. In class II, cabinet and joiners' work, the 1st prize fell to Lance-Corporals Hall and Yardley for an excellent chiffonier and book case, whilst Private Dhondi Sawant, of the 25th Infantry, took the second for a well-finished piece of work in the shape of a teapoy and photo box. Armourer Sergeant Evans, Lancashire Fusiliers, was successful in the fancy wood work class, and secured the first prize of Rs. 20, for an elaborately worked match box. Havildar Raoji Sootar's boot trees were second and were considered to be excellent specimens of carving, whilst the work in the class generally was well up to the average. Portable furniture showed very skilful workmanship, and the design and execution were well worth every praise. Havildar Raoji Sootar of the Pioneers carried off the first prize for three separate articles of furniture, all of which were particularly good. The chairs were all worthy of notice, those by Limibajee Israils, 10th N. I., Dhurum Sing, 5th N. I., Private Church, K. O. Yorks, and Eusof Khan in particular. In ironmongery Havildars Martand and Bhawani Lohar, of the Pioneers, was noticeable, but the entries in this class were very few. In cutlery and highly finished steel, Sowar Wali Mahomed took the first prize for lamps and were first class specimens of workmanship. The work of Farrier Sergeant Towns, a case of horse-shoes, was also worthy of praise and well deserved the second prize. The printing, drawing, etching displayed by Corporal Ryder are decidedly good and worthy to be placed at the head of the class. In plans, maps, and designs the work of the native surveyors was generally good, and particularly that of Lance Naick Budh Sing. The judges considered that the surveys of Lance Corporal Ryder were what were required from the soldier reconnoitres. The work of the ladies was in many cases beautiful and original, Mrs. West, Mrs. Haynes, Mrs Riketts coming in for prizes and especial commendation. Class 23 for machinery, models and scientific apparatus was fairly well filled. Private Brace took the first prize, a splendid model of a steam-engine, which for correctness of detail and finish of workmanship could hardly have been beaten. Pioneer Gillon took the second prize for a filter that was generally considered to be worthy of trial on a large scale. Corporal Caplin was third for a capital model of a steam-engine, and Corporal Eaton, a lamp for taking ranges by night, were considered worthy of the fourth prize. The needle work by children at Regimental Schools was also deserving of great praise. An exhibit worthy of notice is an electric punka invented by Lieutenant-Colonel James. The punka consists of three fans revolving within a kind of box, on the top of which is a lid which acts as a deflector and can be so placed as to throw a breeze at any desired angle. The fan is worked by an electric motor at a speed of about 190 revolutions a minute, and the motor is fed by two four-cell Daniel's batteries. It is perfectly silent and the breeze that is poured upon a person is continuous and delightfully cool. The beauty of the invention is that the punka case is only 18 inches wide and is so constructed that it can with ease be removed to any part of a room or house without the slightest trouble. It will hang within a mosquito curtain, can be placed on a writing desk suspended over a chair, and in fact it can be moved as readily as a person can change his seat, or position. Besides being a punka it takes the character of Goldsmith's chest-of drawers. There is attached to it an electric bell with a long silken cord by which one can rouse a whole neighbourhood simply by moving a finger; there is a clock also attached to it to warn you of the hour, a thermometer to indicate the temperature, and a small electric light sufficient to illuminate a room. The light is set glaring simply by turning a switch. Altogether it is a most wonderful combination, and Colonel James deserves the highest praise for his ingenuity and skill. Arrangements have been made that similar punkas may be obtained from Messrs. Volkart Bros of Bombay. A word of praise is also due to Captain Tallents for his painting exhibits, which are beautifully executed.

His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief was received at the Institute by a guard-of-honour of one hundred rank and file of the Lancashire Fusiliers and a large gathering of officers of the station. In declaring the Exhibition open, Sir George Greaves said: A year has passed away very quickly, and we have again come to the Soldiers' Industrial Exhibition, the twenty-fifth held in Poona. I am glad to be able to say there is no falling-off. The number of exhibitors is slightly smaller, but there has been a sensible increase in exhibits. I alluded last year to the small amount of leisure soldiers had at their disposal in these times, but there is nothing truer than that anyone can find time for anything he really wants to do, and looking to the fact that in these lamentable but inevitable short service days our best friends—the rank and file of the British Army—are so quickly thrown on their own resources on their small reserve pay, that it is all-important that they should be able to enter into the competition for livelihood against their most worthy but less patriotic and milder neighbours in the trades in which they were originally brought up, all the more so because these milder and stay-at-home individuals have not suffered from wounds, fevers, or other pleasures of active service in malarious climates; but even supposing that our soldiers have not learnt any trade before they enlisted, there is all the more reason for helping them to one before leaving it, and commanding officers should therefore encourage their men to work in their leisure hours, say, in the dull hours of the evening, and should teach them things which will be useful to them in after-life. These remarks, of course, refer to British troops. Native troops have special advantages, in that they can serve on, and it is most gratifying to see how keenly they enter into these exhibitions. The improvement in their work is making rapid progress, and looking to the excellent work turned out by natives now, it is quite safe to predict that, in a few years time, hardly anything will be imported from England of kinds here exhibited, such as harness, saddlery, carriages, building, furniture, etc. To the undefatigable Secretary, Major Rainsford and the ladies and gentlemen, especially the ladies Mrs. Cuningham, Mrs. Stopford and Mrs. Newham-Smith, who kindly undertook the hard work of judging, our best thanks are due, as also to the Steam-ship and Railway Companies for carrying the exhibits at reduced charges. It only remains for me to express the regret I feel, in which I am sure you all share, that we have not their Excellencies Lord and Lady Harris present to-day. May their carriages run smoothly.

PRIMARY EDUCATION IN BOMBAY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—After reading the interesting account given in a late issue of the *Bombay Gazette* under the heading "Primary Education in Bombay," I make some observations on the questions which have to be dealt with. The necessity of placing Primary Education on a proper footing is only beginning to be recognised. Few understand it in all its aspects and from all points of view. It will be no mean service to the cause, if persons, who have thought over the subject seriously, submit their views and suggestions.

The difference of opinion between the Government and the Corporation regarding the monetary responsibility of contributing towards the permanent School Fund will doubtless be arranged. Whatever decision may be arrived at in that connection, it is an undisputed fact that the present buildings, which were never meant for schools, are utterely unsuitable for the purpose, and that new buildings will have to be provided for municipal primary schools in Bombay. The Corporation has refused to take over the Sir Manguldas Nathoobhoy Gujrati Girls' school which is largely endowed. The Government did not refuse the donation but gladly accepted it, as it gave one school at least free for the purposes of education. It is to be hoped that the Corporation will not similarly slight the offer of Government to share the cost of construction of buildings for primary schools. As it is not certain that the Government may always be of its present mind, it would be as well to act promptly in the matter. It is not, however, possible that the City Fathers who take measures to protect the citizens and their property from fire and other accidents will—now that they are fully aware of the evil—allow their "most precious possessions" to die premature deaths, their most tender years being passed in over-crowded and ill-ventilated school-houses.

Where is the money to come from to provide more than fifty schools all at once with decent accommodation? It could be found by raising a loan for the purpose at 5 per cent. What is needed is a good beginning; the utilisation of the Bhuleshwar market by placing four schools on an upper floor is a step in the right direction. If on an average two schools are accommodated in one building, and three such buildings are erected every year, it will still take, under favourable circumstances, not less than eight long years to complete the task. Cannot some of the millionaires of Bombay, who spend large sums of money on other charitable purposes, come forward with generous contributions towards this noble object, and help in supplying the necessary buildings within, say, the next four years? There are already upwards of sixty donations to the University of Bombay. Those who will now take the lead in providing sites and buildings for Primary Schools will confer a boon by no means insignificant upon the children of this city.

As to the selection of sites, some difficulty will be experienced in securing cheap and suitable plots of ground, as schools cannot conveniently be removed for the populous centres where they are now situated. In thickly populated localities old and decayed houses or chawls may be purchased and pulled down, to make room for new school-houses. In Bombay, where it is necessary to economize space, houses with two or more floors are to be preferred to buildings with the ground floor only. The rooms should be sufficiently large to accommodate the maximum number of boys allowed to be taught by one teacher. It is needless to add that proper arrangements for light and ventilation, so essential to the health of the children, can only be carried out when there is a compound which will not only serve the pupils as a play-ground but will also keep them aloof from the noise and filth of the street and neighbourhood. Accommodation in other respects will also have to be supplied.

To turn to the subject of teachers, it is really a mystery how those of them who get but ten rupees a month manage to keep body and soul together within their limited income in a town like Bombay, where living is most expensive. Your correspondent's picture of the trembling teacher is very amusing and instructive. They think that the deputy inspectors your correspondent says, can "make and unmake," "raise and ruin," "please and serve." Is this the case? The Government Deputies, whether in Bombay or in the mofussil, have, I always understood, to strictly follow Departmental Codes under the immediate supervision of the Educational Inspector. If my information is correct, the Bombay Deputies have been, since the transfer of schools, exercising the same powers as before and under the same codes—the only difference being that they now work under the Joint Schools Committee in place of the Educational Inspector. The codes ought to put "despotism" out of the possibilities.

Well, is the miserable condition of hired school-houses and lowly paid school-masters due to any indifference on the part of the citizens of Bombay or on that of the Educational authorities, or is it due to some inherent defect in the system itself? The same system works very well in the mofussil, under the same authorities, and there is no reason why the result should be otherwise in Bombay—if the means be forthcoming to rebuild the schools and improve the status of the teachers. The cause of the unsatisfactory state of things is want of means. It is sincerely to be hoped that under the newly constituted body, the Joint School Committee, the teachers will get decent salaries and the children decent accommodation.

August, 27. BOMBAY CITIZEN.

ARCHBISHOP PORTER'S LETTERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Will you kindly allow me to correct a line in the statement of the *Athenæum*, quoted in your issue of yesterday's date anent "Archbishop Porter's letters." That paper says that in 1713 the Archbishop of Goa and the Jesuits were banished from Bombay for aiding the Portuguese against the English! Now, any one who knows geography or has seen a map of India, and knowing how far Goa is from Bombay and under whose sway or dominion, I am sure would not attempt to mislead the public by committing such a glaring mistake. To say that the Archbishop of Goa was banished from Bombay by the English amounts to saying that the Prelate was in Bombay under the English Government and not at Goa under the Portuguese. It is evident, therefore, that the *Athenæum* ignores the fact that, ever since the Portuguese conquest, the Archbishop was never banished from Goa by the English, because that country belongs to the Portuguese and not to the English. I am confident—therefore, that the *Athenæum* will not be able to substantiate this statement by historical facts. That the Jesuits were expelled from Bombay for working against the English is a fact that everyone knows. The *Athenæum* is right in this, but quite wrong in the former statement.—Yours, &c.,

Sept. 1. J. F. COUTO.

THE IN-COMING MAIL.

THE P. and O. steamer Rohilla, with English mails of the 21st ult., left Aden at noon yesterday. The Rohilla, which left London on August 13 and Brindisi on the 23rd, brings the following passengers:—

From London:—Mrs. Adams and infant, Lieut. G. M. Campbell, Mr. R. Nicholson, Col. R. G. Elphinstone Dalrymple, Mr. G. Traylor, Mr. E. Hall, Mrs. Leach, Mr. G. H. Lewis, Mrs. Davison and infant, Mr. T. P. Gadesden, Mr. J. Thomas, Mr. O'Brien, Mrs. Mungavin, Lieut. Stokes, Lieut. A. F. Hickie, and Mr. A. S. Bailey.

From Brindisi:—Capt. R. L. Heygate, Hon. L. H. Bayley, Mr. D. Barry, Lieut. W. F. Leader, Mr. Dyneley, Mr. G. A. Bramall, Capt. M. B. Bicknell, Mr. L. A. Gutschow, Mr. C. C. McLeod, Mr. J. D. West, Mr. F. W. R. Cowley, Mr. C. W. White, Miss Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Wolseley Smith, Mr. C. A. Bull, and Mr. A. B. Gale.

MILITARY NEWS.

CAPTAIN C. SANDES, Army Pay Department, attached to the Loyal North Lancashire Regiment, has been appointed Paymaster of the Deolali Depot, as a temporary measure, *vice* Major Allan Moss, 1st Battalion Worcestershire Regiment, resigned.

THE Court of Inquiry on the accounts of the Deolali Depot re-assembled yesterday morning at Deolali for further enquiry. Captain Bickford, Royal Artillery, has been placed on the Court in place of Captain Weekes, Royal Artillery, proceeded on leave.

HAVE you ever been to sea during rough weather in a torpedo boat? asks a correspondent who has. He declares that all the wealth of the Rothschilds would not tempt him to repeat that dismal experience. What between the stuffiness of the atmosphere, the impossibility of keeping on one's feet for a single second, the dirt, and the terrible seasickness, one gets a foretaste of Pandemonium. Even the roughest sailors, blessed with the most cast-iron stomachs, sometimes have to pay Neptune his dues. The writer affirms—he is a bit of a humourist—that he saw several flies retching violently, with their heads poked over the edge of the table.

FACTORY LABOUR IN THE INDIAN SPINNING AND WEAVING MILLS.

THE following paper was read by Dr. K. N. Bahadurji in the Demographic section of the International Congress of Hygiene and Demography in answer to Mr. Holt-Hallett:—

From a health point of view, factory labour in the Indian mills may be conveniently considered under the following heads:—

Hours of Work:—The Indian mills work from sunrise to sunset: the longest days give 12¼ to 13 hours of work and the shortest 11 to 11½. The average of the 12 months is 12 hours 6 minutes and 10 seconds.

The obvious advantage of working with sunlight is that the Indian operative is protected from the impurities in the mill atmosphere which are generated by the burning of gas in cold countries. Should the English system of 6 to 6 be adopted, gas-light will have to be used some months in the year, and there will be unnecessary fouling of the Indian operative's mill atmosphere by law.

The Indian operative, moreover, can time himself better by the sun than by the clock, and can avoid going to his mill too early or too late.

However, it would be to the advantage of the operatives in some of the mills in which the masters unfortunately cannot distinguish dusk from dark to have the closing hours, i.e., the hours of sunset during the different seasons of the year, defined by law, as recommended by the Medical Committee of 1884.

The women who form only a small portion (25 per cent.) of the operatives (in England they form the bulk, 75 per cent. of the operatives), and are employed only on machinery driven by the hand with less power than is required to work a hand grind-mill, besides enjoying other special advantages, have special short hours of work, and nominally these are from 7 to 5-30. But they may come in any time between 7 and 9, and leave earlier than 5-30, as they please.

In this, as in many other respects, the women working in the Indian mills are much better off than not only their sisters in the English mills but also others of their own class in India who work outside the mills harder, for longer hours, and for less wages (*vide* F. C. Report, 1884, p. 143).

The restriction under which work is exacted and the general freedom allowed to the operatives:—There are no very strict restrictions. The Indian operative, who is paid by piece-work, is allowed to come in half an hour after time of starting work, as informed by the operatives themselves, the popular notion of sunrise varying within the limits of half an hour. He keeps a lien on his place by putting in substitutes. He can leave early in the afternoon, if necessary, and get his half-day's wages. There is no rule or way of seeing him constantly at his post during the working hours of the mill. He is a perfectly free agent in that regard. He feels himself at liberty to take his meals between the hours of 7 and 12, to stretch his legs occasionally, to loiter in the compound, or perhaps have his shave and shampoo under little sheds in the mill compound whenever he pleases. The youngsters may be seen having snatches at leapfrog even on the mill premises, and shampooing each other by walking over each other's body, or playing at marbles in the mill compound, a game they invariably indulge in during the recess hour.

The women have more grace allowed them as to their hours of starting work, as already mentioned. Their physical condition obtains for them another grace. During their menstrual periods they are allowed to stay away without giving any notice, and without fear of losing their place. When they have to look after sucklings, they have perfect freedom to go to their places and be back at intervals during the day. In fact, the Indian operatives do not work against their custom, or their natural inclinations, or their traditional habits. And it is but natural, for the employers know but too well what a fruitless task it is to go against the traditional ways of the Indian, which have been established by centuries of habit, and which have actually become his characteristics.

The amount of rest allowed and taken during the day:—The mill stops work for half an hour at mid-day, and that is the recess time when all the operatives stop work simultaneously. But the Indian operative who will work at his sweet will and pleasure is to be seen many times during the day outside the mill either smoking his biddi or chatting with his friends, and fully 10 per cent. at a time are to be seen enjoying themselves in the mill compound. Moreover when the mill starts after the mid-day recess, the Indian operative does not hurry in, and nearly 20 or 30 minutes elapse before the working majority are at their machines. Walk through a mill at any time of the day, and two out of six operatives told off for sets of machines will not be seen; they take it in turns to be out in the compound. As informed by the operatives themselves, fully an hour, if not more, they are not actually at work during the day. So that although he attends the mill for 12 hrs. 6 mins. 10 secs., the Indian operative's actual working hours per day are only 9½ to 10, his cumulative recess of 2 to 2½ hours being made up of the half hour's grace to start with, plus 1 to 1½ hours which he considers himself at liberty to spend in the compound, plus half an hour's stoppage at mid-day. The physique of the Indian operatives requires these short stoppages rather than prolonged intervals after long spells of continuous work.

The Indian operatives, hardly 1 per cent., take their meals during the recess hours. Each has his own time, and he takes it during the working hours, and is not long over it from the nature of his meal. He wants no forks or knives, and does not indulge in the heavy breakfasts of his English brethren.

Should it be preferred—and it would be better for the industry itself—to prevent meals being taken during the working hours, two half hours—one between 8 and 9, and the other at mid-day—may be given to suit the convenience of the different classes of operatives.

The amount of work done by each individual per day, *i.e.*, the amount of physical energy put forth per day, and the nature of the work generally and the manner in which it is executed.—Supposing for the sake of argument, that the production in a mill in India is equal to that of a mill in Lancashire of equal capacity, the ratio of hands employed in Indian and English mills is as three to one. It will be at once apparent that the Indian operative's total expenditure of energy per day is only one-third of that of the English operative.

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BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

An adjourned meeting of the Corporation was held in the Municipal Offices on Monday afternoon. Mr. George Cotton, president, occupied the chair, and the other members present were :—Mr. Abdalla M. Dharamsi ; Brigade-Surgeon S. O'B. Banks ; Mr. Bhalchandra Krishna Bhatawadekar ; Dr. Thomas Blaney ; Messrs. Byramjee Nusserwanjee Servai, E. B. Carroll, J. P. Cornforth, Cowasjee Pestonji, Damodar Tapidas, J. R. Duxbury, Eknath Raghunath Khote, Elappa Balaram, Famibhai Jumabhai Lalji ; the Hon'ble Mr. Fazulbhoy Visram ; Messrs. Framji Dorabji Divecha, and Grattan Geary ; the Hon'ble Mr. Javerilal Umiashankar Yajnik ; Messrs. Jaya Karadi Lingu, Kaikhosro Nowroji Kabraji, K. M. Shroff ; Colonel G. L. C. Merewether ; Messrs. Naoroji Beiramji Suntook, S. A. Nathan, Pherozeshah Merwanjee Mehta, H. M. Phipson, Purshotamdas Muuguldas Nathubhoy, Rastamji Nasarvanji Khory, Tribhowandas Muuguldas Nathoobhoy, Tribhowandas Varjiwandas ; Dr. Accacio Gabriel Viegas, and Colonel W. H. Wilson.

LOVE GROVE PUMPING STATION.

The Corporation first considered the report of the committee appointed by the Corporation, on the 13th October 1890, to report upon the past and the present condition of the pumping engines at Love Grove.

The report was as follows :—The old pumping station at Love Grove was constructed in 1867. Sometimes the working of the station was very unsatisfactory, owing to the pumping power being insufficient, and it was enlarged from time to time up to 1872. In 1877 the sewage pumps were worked for the first time during the monsoon. Previous to that, the whole of the sewage was allowed to flood the flats and flow out through the sluices with the rainfall. When the new pumping station was first sanctioned, it was intended that only one pair of engines should be erected to lift the sewage collected from the first portion of the drainage system only, but this involved the expense of retaining the old pumping station and working with two establishments. It was therefore considered advisable by Mr. Ollivant to connect the new sewer with the old main drain, to put in a second pair of new pumping engines, and abolish the old pumping station. This work extended over the years 1880—83. When tenders were first invited for one pair of engines with pumps and boilers, eleven tenders were received from English firms. The Executive Engineer recommended the acceptance of Messrs. Easten and Anderson's tender ; the Consulting Engineer (Mr. Forde) recommended that of Messrs. W. J. Yates and Co., which was 20 per cent. lower, and this was accepted by the Town Council on 20th January 1880, the price being Rs. 86,500. The capacity of each engine (and pump) was stated at 816 cubic feet per minute, lifted 26 feet. The engines were started in December 1882, but did not work regularly till March 1883. They were worked with difficulty, and some minor alterations had to be made until the difficulties were overcome ; but, in the meantime, when the Town Council in January 1882 sanctioned the second pair of engines, it was considered advisable to have them from the same makers and they were accordingly obtained from Messrs. Yates and Co., and started to work in August 1883 This was no doubt done for the sake of having them uniform with the others, and the defects of the first pair of engines was not then fully known. The committee is of opinion that at the time these pumping engines were obtained the type of engine (beam engines with vertical pumps below ground level) was undoubtedly considered the best ; they were and still are in use on the great London main drainage works. Improvements have been made in steam machinery all round, by triple expansion and many other minor changes, but there is nothing essentially defective in the beam engine type, and we consider that, at the time the Corporation decided on these engines, they made a perfectly judicious selection as regards the type. As regards the purchase of the engines from Messrs. Yates and Co. in perference to other makers, the choice was made with a good object, namely, economy ; but judged from experience of these engines, this was a case where it would have been cheaper for the Municipality to have paid a higher price and got a better article. From the first, the engines did not work well ; it is reported that they made a considerable noise, and the vibration in the engine-house was exceedingly heavy. A special inspection committee was appointed and their report, dated 15th March 1883, was unfavourable to the engines. Amongst other remarks they said "that these pumps, fitted as they are at present, will never give satisfactory results." The Consulting Engineer (Mr. Forde) in his report, dated 12th April 1883, took a more favourable view as to their quality ; but we think that on the whole it is to be regretted that no binding guarantee as to the performance of the engines was not exacted from the makers. And the engines to this day do not work up to the capacity expected of them. The next point which the committee have to deal with is the failure of the engines to keep the sewage low at the end of the year 1888. This was so serious that an independent examination of the engines by Mr. Bigmore, Superintending Engineer, P & O. S. N. Co., was arranged, and his report was extremely strong as to the condition of the engines and the way they were managed. Amongst other remarks he says : "The sewerage pumps are in a most disgraceful condition. The brass liners on pump rods are considerably worn, in some places right through. The defects to the engines are chiefly caused through wear, but the damage to valve boxes is no doubt due to neglect on the part of the engineer in charge. A great deal of damage to the valves and seats has been caused through wear, but they should not have been allowed to get into such bad condition." All through this important report is most condemnatory, and it appears to have been justified by the circumstances of the case. The committee is of opinion that the person primarily responsible for this state of affairs is Mr. Bell, who was the engineer in charge from the 19th March 1886 to the 30th April 1889. It would lengthen this report too much to quote the evidence which abounds as to Mr. Bell having neglected the engines and actually placed obstacles in the way of the Superintendent of Workshops repairing them. It is to be regretted that Mr. Bell was not dismissed the service sooner. The Superintendent of Workshops was supervising engineer from 1st April 1886. It is true, as given in evidence by Mr. Walton, that from the time Mr. Bell was in charge, Mr. Rowe was "relieved and only asked to send in a monthly report," and it is only since the appointment of Mr. Carr that "Mr. Rowe has been given entire charge again." Making every allowance for this, the committee is still of opinion that the Superintendent of Workshops must share in the responsibility for the bad condition of the engines. His making a monthly report, coupled with the fact that he executed most of the repairs when needed, made it his duty to bring the condition of these engines vividly before his superior officers, in spite of any obstacles from Mr. Bell, who was an officer below him in grade. Lastly, as regards this point, the committee is of opinion that the Executive Engineer's Department is not altogether free from blame inasmuch as it did not check its subordinate officers sufficiently nor hold them strictly to their responsibility. The committee considers that in future the management of this branch of the Municipal service should be improved. When the Corporation obtains valuable machinery, it should expect it to be taken care of. As regards the present condition of the Love Grove pumping engines, they are more fit for work than they have been since 1888, owing to the repairs effected, but the committee points out that, as already mentioned in this report, they never were good engines, and do not work up to the expected capacity. From figures put before the committee, it would appear that their consumption of coal is 4·32 lbs. per indicated horse power per hour, while it is stated, that this consumption measured per horse power of work actually done in sewage pumped, is no less than 10·90 lbs. This enormous consumption in proportion to actual work points to great inefficiency in both engines and pumps. It may be in part accounted for by the fact elsewhere stated, that it takes one-third of the power of the steam to move the engines alone, but the pumps also cannot draw as much sewage as they should from their capacity. This excessive consumption of 10·90 lbs. per actual horse power of useful work is contrasted by the Executive Engineer with 2·66 lbs. only, consumed by the present Pawai pumping engines per horse power of actual work done. If these figures are correct, the Corporation would lose nothing by condemning the present engines altogether, in the event of its wanting a larger and improved pumping station, and this appears to be the opinion of Mr. Baldwin Latham who says in his letter to the Executive Engineer, dated 13th March 1891, "that the most economical course for the Municipality of Bombay to pursue will be to get rid of the existing machinery and substitute more modern and economical "machinery in its place."

Mr. E. B. Carroll moved "that the report of the committee of the Corporation appointed on the 13th October 1890 regarding the past and present condition of the pumping engines at Love Grove be approved, and that a copy thereof be forwarded to the Commissioner ; that the Corporation concur with the committee in its opinion regarding the action of Mr. Bell, the former engineer, and the other officers concerned ; and request that the Commissioner will inform them or such of them as are still in the Municipal service, accordingly." In the course of his remarks Mr. Carroll said the committee went very carefully into the matter and the state of affairs at Love Grove was to him one of the most disappointing matters in Municipal management that had come to his notice. In the first place, however, it must be allowed that the engines were not of the very first class. Motives of economy, apparently, had led to the purchase of engines which were certainly not the best obtainable in the market. There was nothing wrong in the type of the engines ; but they were not made by the very highest class of makers known. The object of buying from such makers was economy, but he thought it had been misplaced economy ; for, from the very first day the engines were set to work, they had not given entire satisfaction. As to the report itself he observed that he was not prepared to sign a "milk and water" report, for there were not only defects in the engines, but as far as he could see there were also defects in the way those engines had been managed ; and he wished in that report to point out who was responsible for those defects. In his opinion the committee had stated quite as much as was necessary, and it was now for the Corporation to draw a moral from what had happened and that moral was partly shown in that portion of the report where the committee said : "That in future the management of this branch of the Municipal Service should be improved. When the Corporation obtains valuable machinery, it should expect it to be taken care of." The other part of the moral was that it was advisable in the purchase of such things as sewage pumps which played such a vital part in the sanitation of the city. They should only be satisfied with the very best class of machinery obtainable. He had no further suggestion to make, but he might point out that in future they could improve the control of the management of that branch of the Municipal Service which had connection with matters mechanical on which the Corporation had launched out pretty extensively.

Mr. J. R. Duxbury seconded the motion. He concurred in the remarks of the movers, adding that the engines had been very much neglected.

Dr. Blaney thought the report showed that the pumping station and everything connected with it was "a delusion and a snare." He did not, however, agree with the names of several officers being mentioned in connection with the matter. The responsibility must rest on the head of the department which controlled that particular branch of the service, for the other officers were subordinate to him and working under his orders. Therefore if the head of the Engineering Department did take due and proper care of their valuable property at Love Grove, very well and good, but if he did not, then a default had been committed by him, and his name alone should be placed before the Corporation. He thought, therefore, that the names of Mr. Rowe and Mr. Bell should be eliminated from the report.

Mr. K. N. Kabrajee desired that a definite expression of regret as to the neglect of duty by those officers to whom the resolution was to be communicated should be included in Mr. Carroll's motion.

Dr. Viegas said, when a case of the nature of the one under discussion came before them, they should not sit with their hands folded and simply pass a resolution which involved only an expression of regret. An effort should be made to trace the responsible persons and make an example of them. With reference to Mr. Walton, the Executive Engineer, he considered it only fair to state that that gentleman had been away from Bombay for a considerable time.

Dr. Banks also drew attention to this fact, and observed it would be very hard if, during an officer's absence on furlough, he was to be held responsible for anything that might happen during the time he was absent.

Mr. Mehta asked how long Mr. Walton was away.

Dr. Banks replied that he believed the period was two years.

The Hon'ble Mr. Javerilal Umiashunker Yajnik said the one simple question to be decided in reference to the report was : Why the mismanagement at Love Grove had not been remedied, seeing that it had continued for nearly eight years? The monthly report on the engines revealed scandalous neglect, and having regard to the fact that those reports went to the Executive Engineer, it seemed strange that it should not have occurred to that officer that some remedy ought to be applied. But it appeared that the whole affair was neglected. Why, he asked, did not the Executive Engineer take steps to improve the existing state of things? Why did he not report the matter to the Commissioner, and why did not the Commissioner make certain recommendations to the standing committee and through that body to the Corporation?

Dr. Bhalchandra agreed with the previous speaker. He believed the whole of the blame attached to the Executive—that was the Engineering Department.

Mr. Grattan Geary said that from his own experience of engines and machinery, he did not suppose those engines had been always working wrong of late years, because if they had gone to pieces in eight weeks, he could not understand how they could go on for eight years, without breaking up. He did not doubt that at some period of the year 1888, the engines were in very bad condition. He did not know whether or not Mr. Rowe had been remiss in his duty, but it did seem to him that Mr. Bell had deserved his dismissal. He thought the practical way they ought now to look at the matter was this, that in view of the very valuable engines that were coming out, it would be advisable to have a systematic periodical examination of each, and that the result should be put down in black and white. He would also suggest that the examination should not be left to the Superintendant, who might possibly neglect to enter the result of the examination. He considered that it was now obvious that the temptation to economy which caused the engines to be accepted in the first instance was an error, for they could now perceive they had paid very highly for not getting the proper type of engines at the outset.

Mr. Pherozsha M. Mehta said he did not quite understand what was meant by the resolution placed before the meeting. Every speaker seemed to assume that the proposition embodied a vote of censure against the head of the department, and Messrs. Bell and Rowe. But the question was, who was the head of the department? He (Mr. Mehta) could not understand who it was ; and if Mr. Walton was away on furlough at the time the engines went out of order, how was any blame to be attached to him? Let them, however, consider the matter further. There was somebody responsible for the bad management of those engines. It was therefore incumbent upon the Corporation, and it was of the greatest importance, to find out who was responsible for the condition of the engines. They would pardon him for referring to Mr. Carroll's remarks regarding the committee not wishing to submit a "milk and water" report. But looking at that clause which read : "the Committee is of opinion that the Executive Engineer's Department is not altogether free from blame, inasmuch as it did not check its subordinate officers sufficiently nor hold them strictly to their responsibility," not having named any individuals, he thought it was rather a "milk and water" policy. He thought the courage of the committee seemed to have oozed out when they came to mention the Executive Engineer's Department. He thought they could take it that the committee really and substantially meant the head of the department. But under the circumstances, who was the head of the department responsible to for this failure of duty? The question was not who was at the head of the department when it was discovered, but who was at the head when the engines were allowed to get into that condition? It seemed, therefore, to him, taking the circumstances as they stood, the censure must partly fall upon Mr. Walton. He thought, therefore, the Corporation should distinctly state its opinion on the matter. He considered Mr. Bell's name should be left out of that proposition, and that it should be distinctly stated "the head of department for the time being." He did not like the manner in which the proposal was worded, and would propose an amendment as follows : "That the report of the committee appointed on 13th October 1890 regarding the past and present condition of the pumping engines at Love Grove be approved, and that a copy thereof be forwarded to the Commissioner ; that the Corporation concur in the expression of blame put on record by the committee regarding the action of the Superintendent of the Workshops, and the Executive Engineer for the time being ; and that the Commissioner be requested to inform these persons accordingly."

Dr. R. N. Khory seconded the amendment.

Mr. Grattan Geary said that a practical lesson from what had happened was this,—that engines and all other machinery should be examined and overhauled periodically.

Mr. Carroll in reply objected to the words in Mr. P. M. Mehta's amendment "of the Superintendent of the Workshop, and Executive Engineer for the time being," considering the wording of the original proposition better.

On a vote being taken the amendment was carried by 20 votes to 7, and on being put as a substantive proposition, was carried.

THE MUNICIPAL REVENUE AND BUDGET GRANT.

Mr. K. M. Shroff moved—"That the Municipal Commissioner be requested to submit a statement (1) showing under what heads the Municipal revenue of last year has exceeded the budget grant by Rs. 4½ lakhs, and to what extent under each head. (2) Under what heads there have been savings in the expenditure, and to what extent under each head. (3) And what has been the exact amount of the surplus cash balance."

The Hon'ble Mr. Javerilal U. Yajnik seconded the motion, and the Commissioner laid the report asked for on the table.

DRIVEN INTO A CORNER.

Dr. Balchandra had given notice of his intention to move—"That having regard to the extremely unsatisfactory conditions of the private lanes and gullies in the city, the Municipal Commissioner be requested to adopt steps with a view to remedy the existing evil ;" but he left the meeting before the notice of motion was brought up.

Dr. Viegas, however, rather than let the matter drop, took it up for his absent friend, and moved the motion which Mr. Santook seconded.

The Municipal Commissioner said it seemed to him that the Corporation could commit him to nothing by passing such a resolution ; for it amounted to nothing. He did his best already in regard to such matters, and the effect of the resolution could not do any good, were it passed.

Mr. P. M. Mehta said the proper thing for Dr. Viegas to do would be to withdraw the motion.

Dr. Viegas remarked that the motion was not his, but if he could act on his own discretion, he had no objection to take Mr. Mehta's advice.

The matter then dropped, and the Corporation adjourned for want of a quorum (a number of members having left) to discuss a motion of which notice had been given by the Hon'ble Mr. Javerilal.

The President before adjourning the meeting said they would meet again on Thursday at five minutes to three and, whether there was a quorum or not, they would proceed to discuss the Hon'ble Mr. Javerilal's motion, before commencing the business on the agenda paper for September.

PRESENTATION TO A POLICE OFFICER.

COLONEL WILSON, the Commissioner of Police, performed yesterday morning the ceremony of presenting a sanad, conferring on Khan Bahadr Meer Abdulally Akbarally, head of the Detective Police, the title of "Sirdar." A square was formed, composed of the police sowars and the E Reserve and Dock Divisions, in all 250 strong, in the compound of the head Police Office at Byculla. Among those present were :—The Deputy Commissioner, Mr. Gell ; Superintendents Crummey, Sweeney, Page, Ingram, Brewin, Grennan, and MacDermott ; Chief Inspector Jones ; Inspectors Cobb, Hack, Holdway, Butterfield, Moorar Rao and Framjee ; Subedars Meer Imam, Sheikh Ibrahim, and Rao Bahadur Dajee Gungajee ; Constables Fleming, Mynn, Good, &c.

The Commissioner, standing in the centre of the square, with the recipient of the honour at his side, stated that the parade had been assembled with the object of handing over the sanad of the title of "Sirdar" to Khan Bahadur Meer Abdulally, granted to him by His Excellency the Viceroy. The Sirdar had served the Government with loyalty, devotion, zeal, and ability for the very long period of twenty-six years, and if his services were to be enumerated before them, it would take an hour's time at least.

Having delivered the above address in Urdu, the Commissioner continued his remarks in the English language. He pointed out that it was well known how the Sirdar would never rest until he had satisfactorily unravelled the crimes he had been deputed to track out, and his abilities were such that he knew not how they could well do without him. Those services had been prominently brought to the notice of the Government of Bombay, and subsequently to that of the Government of India, who had recognised them by conferring on him the title of "Sirdar." To illustrate the nature of the services performed by the Sirdar, he alluded to the recent visit of the Cesarewitch to this city. What those services were, and how arduous the duties in relation to them, was best known to himself (the speaker). He would add, however, that those were carried out entirely to his satisfaction.

In handing over the sanad to the Sirdar, the Commissioner remarked that he wished him a long life to enjoy the honour, and that the document would become a precious heirloom in the Sirdar's family for many generations to come.

The document runs.—"To Meer Abdulally, Khan Bahadur, Superintendent of the Bombay City Police. I hereby confer upon you the title of Sirdar as a personal distinction. (Sd.) Lansdowne, Viceroy and Governor-General of India. Simla, the 30th May 1891." The document is on vellum, surmounted at the top by the Royal Coat of Arms, the seal of the Governor-General of India being affixed at the end.

The Sirdar, in tendering his thanks, said he felt indebted to the Commissioner for the title, which he owed to Colonel Wilson having powerfully supplemented the previous recommendation of his worthy predecessor in office, Sir Frank Souter. He felt greatly honoured by the title so graciously conferred on him by the Viceroy, and it would stimulate him to renewed vigour and energy, and he would never spare, as he always had, to do anything in his power to maintain the good name of the force.

Addressing the men on parade in Urdu, the Sirdar added that whenever Government services were performed with devotion and loyalty, they were never left unrewarded. Consequently he exhorted them to exert their best energies and execute their duties in a trustworthy manner.

The proceedings then ended.

With reference to the recipient of the honour, the following extracts may be taken from his long record of services:—He entered the Bombay Police Force as a second class Jemadar on the 15th December, 1865, and eventually raised himself to a Superintendent's rank. His first great case was the capture of the notorious swindler Kerson Bunsalee in 1866, and getting him transported for seven years. Next came the apprehension of a daring Hindu forger, who had palmed off on the public a large number of counterfeit currency notes, each representing a thousand rupees. The forger was transported for life, and his capturer got his share of the reward of Rs. 10,000 that had been proclaimed. The next important service he rendered was in connection with the destruction of the ship Aurora by fire owing to incendiarism. Having unearthed this complicated affair satisfactorily, the case of Maulvie Liakat Ally, a notorious outlaw and an active accomplice of Nana Saheb of Bithoor in the massacre of Cawnpore during the Mutiny, claimed his attention. The Maulvie was tried at Allahabad and transported for life ; and in consideration of the documents found with him having been of an important character and good for the service of the State, Mir Abdullally was honoured by the Government of India with the title of "Khan Bahadur" in 1872. The case of Mr. Pestonjee Dinshaw and his chief clerk, Succaram Raghoba, for attempt to murder, by means of "illum" or magic, some members of the de Ga family, was then investigated, and the offenders sentenced by Mr. Justice Bayley to seven years' transportation. During the trial of Mulharrao, Gackwar of Baroda, charged with poisoning General Phayre, the British Resident at his Court, the Khan Bahadur succeeded in ferretting out forty lakhs worth of Government securities secreted by the Maharaja. The Baroda State rewarded this service by voting Rs. 3,500 as his share of the reward, which was presented to him in open durbar by Sir Philip Wodehouse, the then Governor of Bombay, who added to it, on behalf of the British Government, an annuity of Rs. 400 payable for two generations. Colonel Weldon, the Commissioner of Police, Madras, was then assisted in the capture of Venkut Cheelmaya, the Madrasee forger of currency notes, and Mir Abdulally obtained another pecuniary reward for the rendering of that assistance. Yet another currency note forgery case was traced in 1877 to the Hyderabad territory, and the conviction of eight persons implicated obtained therein. On the warm recommendatiou of the then Resident, Sir Richard Meade, the Government gave him a reward of Rs. 2,000 for his services. The "complicated system of fraud," to use the words of Mr. Arthur Crawford, the then energetic Collector of Colaba, practised by the contractors of the Forest Department, having been traced out and Mir Abdulally's services acknowledged, his zeal and energy in relation to the capture of Wasoodew Bulwant Phadke, the Poona outlaw, were brought to the notice of the Government in 1879. Before this, however, he had succeeded in bringing to conviction another forger of currency notes and a notorious coiners, for which he obtained the reward of Rs. 2,000. The securing of able recruits in 1887 for the military police organised in the newly annexed territory of Burma were followed by services in relation to the Mekranee outlaws at Junaghad, the latter resulting in another money reward. Lastly comes a ghastly array of murderers tracked and got punished. Among these was the Oomeraday murder of a Mogul and his Persian wife, the nacoda tank murder, the murder of Mokhee Bundeyally at His Highness Aga Khan's residence, the murder of a woman at Parel known as the "box murder," owing to the fact of the body having been found in a box, the triple murder at Dadur, the Mahaluxmee murder, in which an uncle got a nephew murdered for the sake of Rs. 300, and the sextuple murder at Kambekar street. There are several other important cases in which the Sirdar has distinguished himself, but owing to want of space we must refrain from recapitulating them.

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HIGH COURT,—ORIGINAL SIDE.

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice FARRAN.)

THE PRIVILEGE OF A MORTGAGEE TO CONSOLIDATE.

GOCULDAS MADHOWJEE VS. HASSUM MEYA AHMED AND H. H. AGA AKBAR SHAH.

THE plaintiff prayed that the defendants, or one of them, may be ordered to pay to plaintiff the sums due under two mortgages of properties situated near the Colaba Causeway, or that, in default, may for ever be foreclosed of the equity of redemption in the mortgaged premises ; that in the alternative, three of the plots may be sold under certain conditions, and the net proceeds applied towards payment of the plaintiff's claim ; that all necessary accounts may be taken, &c.

Mr. Russell, instructed by Messrs. Little, Smith, Frere and Nicholson, appeared for the plaintiff ; the Hon. Mr. Lang, instructed by Mr. Merwanjee Saklatwala, for the first defendant ; and Mr. Jardine, instructed by Messrs. Thakurdas, Dharamsi and Cama, for the second defendant.

His lordship, in delivering judgment, said :—Whatever view a Court of Appeal may think itself at liberty to take of this case, I feel that I have no option but to follow the ruling of Couch, C. J., and Melvill, J., in Vithaldas Mahadeo vs. Daud Walad Mahomed (6 Bom. H C. Rep. 90). The suit relates to three properties at or near Colaba Causeway. Disregarding mortgages immaterial to be considered for this purpose, the facts are these :—On the 21st February, 1888, the defendant, Hassam Meya, mortgaged properties A and C to the plaintiff for Rs. 35,000. This mortgage fell due on the 21st February 1890. On the 29th May, 1888, the same defendant mortgaged properties A, B, and C to the plaintiff for Rs. 5,000. This mortgage fell due on the same 21st February 1890. The time for the redemption of these mortgages is past, and, according to their strict terms, the properties have become the properties of the plaintiff. This is the result at law. If the defendant had redeemed either of those mortgages on the 21st February, 1890, he could have done so without redeeming the other. Courts of Equity, even after the due date, had always allowed the mortgagee to redeem; but when there were two district mortgages like the above, they allowed this equity or privilege only on condition of the mortgagee redeeming both mortgages. The mortgagee was allowed to consolidate his mortgages. This for a very long series of years had been the practice of Courts of Equity in England. I cannot and do not doubt but that if this question had arisen in the late Supreme Court on its Equity side, the same practice would have been followed there, and the lawyers would have advised their clients on that footing. Whether the question ever did so arise I cannot say. There is no reported decision upon the point, so far as I am aware. In 1869, in the case I have referred to, Sir Richard Couch applied this equitable doctrine, or rather doctrine of equity, to the mortgages of a Hindu in Satara who had mortgaged his properties to a Mahomedan. After that decision, even if the case had not actually arisen in the late Supreme Court or in the present High Court, mortgagees in Bombay who allowed their mortgages to stand unredeemed after due date would certainly have been advised that they, if they did so, would be entitled to the privilege of consolidating their mortgages. The law in England was altered by the Conveyancing Act of 1881 (44 and 45 Vic., c. 41, sec. 17). Mortgages executed after the 31st October, 1881, cannot, in the absence of a containing intention expressed in the mortgages or one of them, be consolidated. It will be ruled that that section is not retrospective. By the Transfer of Property Act IV of 1882 (section 61), it is provided that "a mortgagee seeking to redeem any one mortgage shall, in the absence of a contract to the contrary, be entitled to do so without paying any money due under any separate mortgage made by him, or by any person through whom he seeks to redeem." This Act is not retrospective (see sec. 2 c.). It is not to affect any right arising out of a legal relation constituted before the Act comes into force. The Act has not yet been extended to Bombay. Even were it now extended to Bombay, as is likely to be the case, it would not affect the plaintiff's rights. These Acts alter the law rather than discredit the rules of equity which I have referred to. They therefore afford no reason for my refusing to follow the decision of the Appellate Court. In Narayen vs. Pandurang in L. R. 7 Bom. 526, West and Nanabhai Haridas, J. J., refused to apply the special and technical English doctrine of tacking to a mortgage in the mofussil between Hindus at Belgaum, anticipating the ruling of the Privy Council in Goculdas vs. Rambux 11 In Ap. 126 in a very analogous case. If I rightly apply the principle of that decision to the present case, I should be retrospectively legislating for the parties before me, and not acting on the law as already laid down for my guidance. The second defendant took a mortgage from the first defendant on the 5th June, 1889, in properties A and B to secure the sum of Rs. 10,000, with full knowledge of the mortgages of the plaintiff. He stands therefore in the same position as the first defendant. He could have redeemed either of the mortgages of the plaintiff on their due date. Having allowed that day to pass, he cannot redeem one without redeeming the other. The first two issues are therefore found for the plaintiff. The parties have consented to the form of decree. Decree passed accordingly.

A LAND ACQUISITION CASE.

JUGA HURJEE KOOMBHAR AND ANOTHER VS. THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA IN COUNCIL.

His lordship delivered judgment in this case, in which the plaintiff prayed that the defendant, his servants and agents, may be restrained from putting into force the provisions of the Land Acquisition Act for the purpose of acquiring a portion of the plaintiffs' premises from taking possession of the portion of the premises before a valid award has been made, and from proceeding with any enquiry as to the value and amount of compensation under a notice of the 23rd April, 1891, and that it may be declared that the Collector is not entitled to take possession of the plaintiffs' premises before he has made a valid award under the Land Acquisition Act ; and further that he is not entitled to hold any enquiry or make any award under his notice of the 23rd April 1891. Mr. Jardine and Mr. Inverarity, instructed by Messrs. Nanu and Hormasjee, appeared for the plaintiffs, and the Hon. Mr. Lang and Mr. Basil Scott, instructed by Mr. Frere, Government Solicitor, appeared for the defendant.

His lordship said that the main relief sought in the suit was to restrain the Collector of Bombay from acquiring a portion of the plaintiffs' premises under the provisions of the Land Acquisition Act. Section 55 provides that the provisions of the Act shall not be put in force for the purpose of acquiring a part only of any house, manufactory, or other building if the owner desired that the whole of such house, manufactory, or building shall be so acquired. The question was whether the land of the plaintiff which the Collector had given notice to take was a part of a manufactory or of a house.

The manufactory here is in part composed of buildings, though they are of a most primitive character ; and his lordship held that open-air manufactories, carried on in connection with open-air buildings, are within the meaning of this section. The next question was whether the various operations carried on on this land, if they are manufactures, constitute one manufactory or several manufactories. His lordship, following the opinion of an English Judge, thought that, although it was true that different processes of different manufacture, producing different results, were carried on, that where the whole business was carried on by one person, under one body of servants and with one capital, the mere fact of different articles being manufactured on the premises, produced by different processes, did not make those manufacturing premises two sets of manufacturing premises but left them one. His lordship arrived at the conclusion that the plaintiff's premises, primitive and indifferently constructed as may be the buildings upon them, and ruinous as they may be in many respects their condition, contain within their ambit a manufactory within the meaning of the section. The more difficult question in the case was whether the portion of the plaintiffs' premises which the Collector desired to acquire formed a part of that manufactory. His lordship came to the conclusion that it did. His lordship, therefore, gave a decree for the plaintiffs in terms of the prayer of the plaint with costs.

WITH praiseworthy promptitude the promoters of the ex Libris Society, who held a meeting in London in the spring for the purpose of consolidating the Society, have issued the first number of their journal, and they are to be congratulated upon a very successful start. In appearance it is excellent, printing and paper good, illustrations effective and well brought up, and the literary matter quite as good as can be expected on a subject so restricted in its scope. The cover, which is very elaborate, was designed by Mr. John Leighton, as well as some of the illustrations. The Society is fortunate in its choice of publishers (Messrs. A and C. Black). The Plymouth printer has performed his part of the work very creditably. The general editor and hon. secretary is Mr W. H. K. Wright, Borough Librarian, Plymouth, to whom all communications should be addressed.

THE BLACK MOUNTAIN DESPATCHES.

THE despatches regarding the Black Mountain Expedition are published. The Governor-General in Council, in concurrence with the Commander-in-Chief, desires to record his entire approval of the careful and thorough manner in which the work of the expedition was carried out by Major-General Elles, and of the good discipline and soldier-like conduct displayed by the troops on various occasions in the presence of the enemy. His Excellency in Council has perused with much satisfaction the favourable mention of the various officers whose good services during the campaign have been brought to notice. The Viceroy is glad to have an opportunity of expressing his sense of the valuable services rendered by Mr. Cunningham, as Chief Political Officer to the Force, and his Excellency notices with pleasure the efficiency of the arrangements made by the Medical, Commissariat-Transport, and other Army Departments in connection with the expedition, and by the postal and telegraph services under Mr. Van Someran and Mr. Barker, respectively.

The Adjutant-General in a letter to the Military Department says the objects of the expedition were as stated in the second paragraph of General Elles' letter, and as far as it is possible to judge at present, these objects have been fully accomplished. The submission of the offending tribes has been more complete than on any former occasion. They have assented to the construction of roads and dominating posts upon the frontier, and to the permanent expatriation of their chief, Hashim Ali, who for years has been the moving spirit in all the border outrages ; and a small force remains in their country to observe the fulfilment of their pledges. The Adjutant-General adds :—"His Excellency has much pleasure in bringing to notice the good discipline of the troops, and their soldier-like conduct in the presence of the enemy in the affairs of the 23rd, 25th and 26th of March, at Dilari, Darbandrai, and Sarmal ferry ; and more particularly in the gallant defence of Ghazikot by the Dogra Company of the 4th Sikh Infantry, against a fanatical night attack on the 19th March." The health of both fighting men and followers throughout the expedition was phenomenal, the average daily sick having been less than one per cent of the force.

General Elles gives a detailed account of the operations. Regarding the gathering at Baio he says :—"The Mada Khel, who were only indirectly concerned in the expedition, as owing allegiance to Hashim Ali Khan, kept quiet, and offered no opposition ; but from the 22nd March it had become apparent that there was a movement of trans-Indus tribes to the Buner frontier under the direction of Miyan Gul, Akhundzada of Swat. The gathering was visible at and about Baio, a village on the watershed between Chamla and the Indus Valley, and had been gradually increasing in number. In view of this movement, troops were moved up from Nowshera to Mardan in the Peshawar Valley, but it was the desire of the Government that a collision with the trans-Indus tribes should be avoided. The attitude of the gathering seemed to indicate that the intention of its leaders was to watch the Buner frontier, with which country there was no intention to interfere. Negotiations were entered into with Miyan Gul, under the orders of superior authority, partly through me, and partly through Peshawar, with the result that the Akhundzada disclaimed any intention of making war against the Government, and withdrew his following."

General Elles brings to the special notice of the Commander-in-Chief, Brigadier-Generals Williamson and Hammond, Lieutenant-Colonel Leith, Commanding the Royal Artillery, Major Greenstreet, Commanding the Royal Engineers, Major Buston, in charge of the pontoon section, Captain Aylmer, Bengal Sappers, Colonel Bromhead and Captain Jameson, 32nd Pioneers, Lieutenant Birdwood, R. E., in charge of the coolie corps, Deputy Surgeon-General Bradshaw, Captain Lyons Montgomery, Chief Commissariat Officer, Lieutenant Tulloch, Transport Officer, Veterinary Surgeon Haggard, Mr. Van Someran, Postal Department, Mr. Barker, Telegraph Department, Captain Hamilton, Inspector of Army Signalling, Major Balfe, Provost Marshall, Captain Wahab, Survey Department Captain Young in charge of the Field Treasury, Lieutenant-Colonel Gaselee and Lieutenant Harman, 4th Sikhs, Lieutenant Taylor, 3rd Sikhs, Lieutenant Codrington, Corps of Guides, Mr. Cunningham, Political Officer, Colonel Shakespear, A. A. G., Captain Carter, D. A. A. G., Captain Mason, Intelligence Officer and Captain Leslie Rogers, Volunteer officer attached to the force.

Regarding the latter officer General Elles says :—"He was attached to Captain Mason, and showed great zeal in acquiring information as to the working of troops in the field. The advantage to Volunteer force in the widening of the experience of its officers cannot but be productive of the best results, and I beg to recommend the extension on future occasions of the privilege here accorded to one of their number.

Captain Sandbach, Royal Engineers, Aide-de-Camp, and Lieutenants H. W. Wilberforce, 2nd Dragoon Guards, and His Highness Prince Christian Victor of Schleswig-Holstein, King's Royal Rifles, Orderly Officers are also mentioned.

The supplementary selected list of officers brought to notice by the Brigadier-Generals and heads of departments is as follows :—Colonel Hilton, Seaforth Highlanders, Colonel Rivaz, 37th Dogras, Lieutenant-Colonel Molloy, 2nd Battalion, 5th Gurkha Regiment, Lieutenant-Colonel Stead, 11th Bengal Infantry, Lieutenant-Colonel Morgan, No. 1 Mountain Battery, Royal Artillery, Lieutenant Colonel Gaselee, 4th Sikh Infantry, Lieutenant-Colonel Norman, Royal Welsh Fusiliers, Major Battye, Corps of Guides, Lieutenant-Colonel Muhamed Aslam Khan, Khaibar Rifles, Major Bowler, No. 9 Mountain Battery, Major C. Dempster, 4th Sikhs, Captain Brownlow, No. 2 (Derajat) Mountain Battery, Captain Bradshaw Brigade-Major, 1st Brigade, Captain Sir R. A. W. Colleton, Brigade-Major, 2nd Brigade, Captain Abbott, Field Engineer, 2nd Brigade, Captain Bond, Field Engineer, 1st Brigade, Captain ——, Royal Welsh Fusiliers, Lieutenant Maconochy, 4th Sikhs, Lieutenant Badcock, Brigade Transport Officer, 2nd Brigade, Lieutenant Boville, Commissariat Department, Lieutenant F. J. H. Barton, Queen's Own Corps of Guides, Orderly Officer to the General Officer commanding 2nd Brigade (Commander of the Khaibar Rifles in the actions of the 25th and 27th March), Lieutenant Sparrell, 3rd Dragoon Guards, Provost Marshal, 2nd Brigade, Lieutenant Harman, 4th Sikhs, Lieutenant Taylor, 3rd Sikhs, Lieutenant Codrington (attached to 3rd Sikhs), Surgeon-Majors M'Waters, Stokes, M'Gregor, and E. Palmer, and Mr. Thomas, Telegragh Department.

THE appointment of General Francisco Carenzi as Under-Secretary of State for War has given great satisfaction in Italian military circles, for the General is known to be devoted to the interests of the service, and not to have bound himself to any party. He was born at Novi Ligure in 1837, and has served both on the General Staff—as a Captain of which he went through the Campaign of 1866—and in the infantry, and he has also been Chief of the Military School at Modena.

SIGNOR VERDI's hospital near Fiorenzuola cost in building £3,000. He added an endowment of £40,000. He is now building in Milan a hospital for poor old artists, which will cost him £20,000. The architect is Camillo Boito. Verdi will endow this hospital with a capital of £

MILITARY AND NAVAL NOTES.

"An Officer"—who evidently knows what he is writing about—has been addressing the *Glasgow Herald* on the subject of "The Recruiting Difficulty," which is now uppermost in the minds of regimental officers. "An Officer" very properly condemns our present system of untrained Army Reserves. To quote his words:—"As matters stand at present, the Reserve is simply a body of men, grown more or less rusty, and not trained for service in the field up to date, ready to *replace* a large number of lads not fit for service. What we require is that the establishment of each battalion should be fixed at so many *effectives*; recruits, of which there must necessarily be always a large number with the home battalions, being counted under a different heading. The establishment of effective bayonets for each battalion would, of course, differ in the same way as they do (counting in the recruits) at present. To carry this out we would require at first a few more recruits than we are getting at present, and also to induce a certain per-centage of men to extend their service as before mentioned. By these means, in the event of a big war, the Reserve would not be used up at the outset, as it would certainly be at present, and the home battalions would not be turned upside down, and their discipline destroyed by being outnumbered by Reservists, who necessarily would take a little time to settle down to their work, and would not do it any quicker from finding themselves in the majority. It would be hard to imagine anything more likely to create a disaster than for an army to take the field with a screw loose as to its discipline; and with the many evil influences about nowadays, it would be the height of folly to send a battalion on service unless a large majority of the men it consisted of had served with the colours up to date." "An Officer" will certainly have many other officers with him in his views as to the military value of the Reserve under existing conditions.

The correspondent of the *Broad Arrow*, who suggested the possibility of a naval disaster occurring within a fortnight after the declaration of war which could be of sufficient magnitude to render us "defenceless by sea," thus explains how he expects such a catastrophe to be brought about:—"A powerful French fleet has recently paid a friendly visit to Russian waters, and there is nothing to prevent Russia from returning the compliment on some convenient opportunity. Suppose, for instance, that a strong Russian flotilla is lying at Cherbourg, engaged in the interchange of courtesies with the French naval authorities. Curiously enough, the French naval manœuvres are at the time in progress, or possibly just at an end. At this particular juncture England is taken to task on, for example, the Egyptian question, with the result that France declares war, and her example is speedily followed by Russia. The combined fleets of the enemy promptly proceed to make themselves objectionable, and, impelled by a rooted conviction that Britania rules the waves, an inadequate British force engages them on the first opportunity. There is, in short, a general naval action a few days after the declaration of war." And then, if England gets the worst of it, she is to be left "defenceless by sea;" but, allowing the above circumstances to have occurred without attracting attention, why this result should follow, or be likely to follow, we are not told.

The recent naval manœuvres have, says the *Army and Navy Gazette*, anything but justified their cost, and the opinion is now general that, if the results next year are now more valuable than they have been on the last two occasions, it cannot be long before the abolition of these expensive operations is seriously mooted. That the cause of failure this year is not very different from that which brought about the fiasco of 1890 is apparent from the letter of the *Times* correspondents who, greatly to the disgust of some of the authorities, accompanied the squadrons, while the views expressed therein are, we learn, shared by officers who served in the ships. Professionally speaking the greatest amount of interest attached to the Northern Fleet, under the command of Sir Michael Culme-Seymour, for it was in composition the finest and best-equipped fleet that has put to sea in modern times, and had been specially organised to carry out a programme which should have materially enlightened naval men upon tactical problems of the utmost importance. A very short time was allowed for the purpose of carrying out the manœuvres which would have given this result, but before one-half of the period had elapsed the original purpose was thrown to the winds, and the remainder of the cruise spent in exercises which might just as well have been performed by the ordinary Squadrons of Evolution.

In Deputy-Surgeon-General Will, who lost his life at Devonport on July 31 under such distressing circumstances, the Army Medical Staff has been deprived of the services of an officer who promised to become a shining light, if he was not that already, in his own particular sphere of military usefulness. writes a correspondent to the *Army and Navy Gazette*. It is customary, I know, for some small-minded combatant officers to underrate the value of the services which the medical officers render, but I, who have seen them on service and have learnt to appreciate them for their self-sacrifice and devotion, am glad to have it in my power to bear testimony to their professional worth. In Mr. Will we of the combatant branches have lost an able colleague—one who earned respect wherever he served. He was devoted to duty, and left nothing undone which he could possibly do to maintain to the fullest extent the character of the Medical Staff. His death is a distinct loss to the Army, and his many friends will have learnt of his untimely end with regret,—regret not only for the good comrade and high-minded gentleman himself, but for the Staff to which he was in all senses an ornament.

An interesting incident occurred lately in the district of the 1st French Cavalry Division, when the *reveille* was sounded before midnight in the barrack of every regiment. The orders were not despatched simultaneously, but in such manner that the regiments might arrive at Satory at 5 o'clock in the morning, the first regiment aroused being the 5th Chasseurs, at Rambouillet. In a couple of hours later all was ready, and the regiment left its station, after a bustling time, at midnight. In the same way other regiments marched through the dark night from Saint Germain, Versailles, Paris, and elsewhere, with three horse batteries of artillery. All this was accomplished with extreme rapidity, and at 6 o'clock in the morning General Saussier arrived at Satory. General Bonie had already received the three brigades—the Cuirassiers, under General Duhesme; the Dragoons, with alternate ranks of lances and sabres, under General Rothwiller; and the Chasseurs, under General Rapp. The evolutions gone through lasted until 8 o'clock, and, despite the unsatisfactory condition of the ground, were very satisfactory.

The manœuvres of the Austrian 2nd and 8th Corps begin on September 1, between Waidhofen, on the Taya, and Schwarzenau; and at the concluding operations on September 7 the Emperor Francis Joseph will be present, with his guests, the German Emperor and King Albert of Saxony, about 70,000 men taking part. The *Reichswehr* states that the Northern army will be formed of the two infantry divisions of the 8th Corps, a division of Landwehr infantry formed with the foot-troops of the Landwehr of the 8th Corps, and a division of cavalry, consisting of the 2nd, 4th, 7th, and 14th Dragoons. The 15th Dragoons, which were formed so recently as January 1 of this year, will form the corps cavalry, and the 3rd Infantry Division of the 14th Corps will probably be attached to the 8th Corps after its own operations at Freistadt. The Southern force will consist of the 4th, 13th, and 25th Infantry Divisions, belonging to the 2nd Corps, and of the Gradl Cavalry Division, the 1st Landwehr Dragoons acting as corps cavalry.

The question of lance or sabre has long been debated on the Continent, and we observe that now the *Militar-Wochnblatt* publishes an article advocating that cavalry shall be armed with the lance and the carbine furnished with a bayonet, the sabre disappearing altogether. In France, where the lance has been discarded, the question is naturally taken up, divers views being expressed; but the majority of service organs seem to be of the opinion recently expressed by a writer in the *Jour*, that the introduction of magazine rifles of rapid fire has rendered it likely that henceforth Lancers will rarely reach the infantry lines, while the system of short service would make it difficult for them to obtain a complete mastery of the weapon.

A new explosive called "ecrasite" has been invented by two Austrian engineers. In power it is to dynamite as ten to seven, and is serviceable alike for cartridges and cannon. According to the engineer's test, practice shows that it will cause a bombshell to demolish a line of 500 men, and that it is, therefore, an exceedingly valuable instrument of war. The secret of its composition is sternly guarded by the Austro-Hungarian War Office.

A new steel cuirass, covering the breast only, will shortly be introduced into the Austrian Army. It is to be impenetrable to the bullets of any rifle yet invented. It can be folded up and packed in an ordinary napsack. The armies of the Triple Alliance will be provided with it.

INDIAN FACTORY LEGISLATION.

"An Indian Mill Manager" writes to the *Times*:—I have read Mr. Provand's speech in the House of Commons on his motion that further reforms are necessary in the Indian factory laws. I have also read that gentleman's letter as it appears in the *Times* of to-day, and find his speech and his letter together so full of inaccuracies and containing such abundant proof that the author is not acquainted with the actual conditions as they prevail in India, that I beg to be permitted to enter my humble protest against irresponsible and ignorant (I use the term in no offensive spirit) persons foisting on the English public and the House of Commons statements which are not in comformity with truth, and which when not made from interested motives can only be made on erroneous impressions.

Mr. Provand states that the days of rest in India were 52 a year as against 84 in England; these 52 days are the 52 Sundays, but Mr. Provand omits to mention the native holidays—that is, days which the native regards with greater veneration than the Christian Sabbath, and on which he will not work. Only persons who know India know with what frequency native feast days occur, but possibly an idea will be conveyed when I mention that a mill under my control and employing about 2,000 hands was shut down for seven days last February. February was a month of 28 days and four Sundays, and three native holidays fell on different dates in it. The aggregate holidays in the year are nearly 100, but they are difficult to state for the following reasons:—If, say, half of the hands are Mahommedan and half Hindoo, the mill has to close on both Mahommedan and Hindoo holidays, but if either race largely predominates, then it might be possible only to close the factory on the feast days of the dominant (for the time being) race. To say, therefore, that there are only 52 holidays in the year is to say what is not in accordance with fact.

Mr. Provand states that "in India" the working day was from 5 a.m. to 8 p.m. and the interval of rest one hour and-a-half. In the mill I control and in others I am interested in, and acquainted with, the engines do not run more than 12 hours in any one day, and in by far the greater portion of the year it is barely light enough to work at 6 o'clock, let alone 5.

Again, the hours of work of men, women, and children in an Indian and in an English factory are compared and a charge of barbarity brought against Indian manufacturers. But, as a matter of fact, more consideration, more humane treatment is received by the native factory hand in India than is received by his or her fellow-workers in Great Britain. What are the facts? In an English factory the hours of labour are continuous; from the time an *employee* enters the gate to the time he leaves it he is—except for purposes of nature—continuously and uninterruptedly at his or her work. If there is any falling-off in the tale of work wages are cut, if damage is done it must be paid for; and if a holiday is wanted or sickness supervenes a substitute must be obtained and paid or prompt dismissal ensues.

In India some sort of system is followed, but the habits of the people are such that the discipline and order which exist in a European mill cannot be enforced, and a latitude and freedom prevail which completely alter the conditions of service. In most Indian mills places are set apart where the hands can smoke during working hours, and an establishment is maintained to keep these places in order and the fire alight. An establishment is also maintained to supply the *employes* with water for drinking purposes as well as for ablutions. During any hour of the day any man, woman, or child can leave his or her machine and go out of the mill, and his or her absence is pratically unrestricted, save by the exigencies of the remaining hands, since only 25 per cent. are allowed out at one time. When a hand goes out in this manner this is what occurs. He first goes to the well and has his brass "lota" filled with water; he then goes to the latrino; from here he goes to have a smoke, and when he has quite finished his smoke and a friendly talk he goes once again to have his lota filled with water. His next action is to sit down on the nearest convenient piece of ground and wash his teeth, hands, and face; this done he re-enters the mill having once again got his lota filled, since he requires water to drink when inside.

This is without exaggeration exactly what nearly every native mill hand does every day of his life when at work, except that the women do not smoke. As 25 per cent. (or thereabouts) of passes are allowed, and as an employee remains absent for, on an average, 15 minutes, it follows that one-fourth of his time is lost to the master, and that, although the engine is running 12 hours, there is only nine hours' work.

But this is not all. Nearly every native—man, woman, or child—eats his meal during working hours under or near the machine he or she tends, and there is thus a further loss and further interruption to work. The women who have infants bring them to the mills, and they are kept and nursed in a convenient spot in the room in which the mothers work.

Native mill hands do not have regular meals or meal hours as English people have; they eat as they please and anyhow, and the interval allowed for meals and rest is spent in bathing and play.

These, Sir, are some of the conditions of Indian factory life. I could mention numberless others—among them the fact that an *employe* stays away and comes to work just as he pleases; the fact that the employer has no remedy for wilful damage, because the *employe* can decamp—but it would be wearisome, and I am certain disinterested people will see there is another side to this factory question, and one which could be abundantly proved. No person could truthfully set down a native *employe's* actual work at more than seven-twelfths, if as much. The 66 hours a week would thus be 38; the 42 hours, 24. Where is the barbarity?

There is another point, and that is Mr. Provand's statement that "a large number of Indian mills are owned in Lancashire." He stated in his speech in Parliament that there were about 150 mills in India, and it would be interesting to ascertain what portion of the above he considers a large number. But the statement, if not absolutely incorrect, is grossly exaggerated. A list of every mill in India, with owner's names and size, is published annually by the Bombay Mills' Association, and it will be found that there are not half a dozen of which it could be said that they are owned in Lancashire. Moreover, those so owned, or partly owned are owned by Lancashire machinists—machinists who have started the mills in order to give themselves work. Obviously these men are not concerned in the rivalry between India and Lancashire, and can afford to look on with unconcern so long as they can make the machinery.

If motives of humanity, not professedly, but really, actuate Mr. Provand and men like him, and if our great English nation would work to prevent a grievous wrong being done a subject nation, they should not only refrain from tampering with the Indian factory laws, but should promptly repeal the one recently introduced.

There is no free education in India; indeed, for the working classes there is no education at all; so the results of the recent factory legislation will be these—the children of the working man and woman who formerly contributed to the family earnings, and who were brought under wholesome and civilizing influences, will in future be debarred from entering any mill premises, and will thus be forced by the British nation to roam the bazaars in idleness and grow in nothing but vice; the family will be thrown into poverty, and the more children there are the greater will be the poverty. And this legislation will not only affect Hindus and Mahomedans, it will also vitally affect native Christians and the societies whose work is the spread of Christianity. The native children brought up by these societies have hitherto in may cases on attaining a certain age been sent into a mill, and their earnings have been paid to the society. I have many native Christian boys and women in my mill and by obtaining fixed employment they have enriched the funds of their society and have been kept out of vice. But in future they cannot be employed, so that the society will be burdened with their maintenance to an extreme age, or they will relapse to heathenism and vice.

Aliens still arrive in England in increasing numbers en route to America, the official account for the month just ended showing that nearly nine thousand passed through British ports as compared with a little over five thousand in July, 1890. In addition to these nearly 5,000 landed at London, Grimsby, Leith, and other ports who were not known to be going on to America. Altogether the alien immigration has amounted to 83,040 in the last seven months. Of these 83,000 62,000 have gone on to America, but for aught the officials know nearly 21,000 remain in England.

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THE OPIUM AND FACTORY QUESTIONS IN INDIA.

The writer of the article on Indian Affairs in the *Times* says:—The different treatment which Sir Joseph Pease and Mr. Holt Hallett have received from the Indian Government and the Indian Press is highly instructive. These gentlemen think it their duty, on philanthropic grounds, to urge Parliament to place restrictions upon two of the staple industries of India. Sir Joseph Pease would put down the growth and manufacture of opium, one of the most profitable crops in India, and the one on which the densely-crowded peasantry of Behar depend in a special manner for their rent-money in ordinary years and for the little accumulations and credit with the village grain merchant which form their best chance of living through a famine. Mr. Holt Hallett asks for more stringent legislation for Indian factories—legislation which, in the opinion alike of the Indian Government and of the millowners, would cripple the new manufacturing enterprises that form the long desired outlet for the pent up rural masses.

The narrow escape which India has again had from widespread starvation may well make fair-minded Englishmen consider whether it would be true philanthropy or political immorality for England to interfere with industries which feed millions of Indian men, women, and children. We are willing to accept the humane motives which actuate alike Mr. Holt Hallett and Sir Joseph Pease. We think it a subject of regret that the discussion in the House of Commons last week should have degenerated into a wrangle between Sir George Campbell and Mr. Provand as to whether the latter was or was not an interested rival of the cotton industry of India as "a Lancashire man." The vital question is not the motives of those who would put an end to one of India's staple industries and who would lay heavy burdens upon another, but whether their motives are based on a correct knowledge of the facts in India and on a just appreciation of the results that would follow from the interference which they desire.

It is due to Mr. Holt Hallett to acknowledge that he has given serious study to the state of things which he reprobates, and that he has clear ideas as to the changes which he desires. Mr. Buchanan made, perhaps, an effective point in debate against the Manchester party's reliance on the decisions of the Berlin Conference when he answered that these decisions "related to factory legislation by the Powers of Europe for the countries of Europe, and the declarations of that Conference had not been followed up by action on the part of the Government of which the right hon. gentleman was a member. Therefore, it would be absolutely inconsistent for the Government to endeavour to enforce upon the Indian people rules of legislation devised for European peoples and climates." But, to the honour, both of the Indian Government and the Indian Press, there has been no attempt in that country to deal with the subject merely as a field for dialectic dexterity. The Indian Government has replied to the statements of the Lancashire party by a commission of inquiry so constituted as to preclude any suspicion of unfairness. The Indian Press has replied by printing verbatim reports of the evidence taken by the commission, and has thus placed the conditions of Indian factory labour before the public with a fulness and with an authority that could not have been attained by any other method. There has been no disposition in India to disregard the allegations of the Lancashire men on the ground that they are interested rivals. They are frankly accepted as interested rivals, and their allegations have been brought to the test of the actual facts as ascertained by a public inquiry at the various centres of mill industry in India.

The conclusions arrived at were stated somewhat too pithily by Sir George Campbell before he got into his personal altercation with Mr. Provand in the Indian Budget debate. He said:—

It seemed to be assumed that all sorts of terrible abomination went on in Indian factories. But there was not the slightest evidence of anything of the kind. The conditions of factory life in India were totally different from the conditions in this country. They had a system of voluntary shifts, by which two or three persons did the work that would be done by one in this country, and there was no high pressure or any evil of the kind.

The Indian Government has taken up a surer ground than a general denial of this sort. After a careful and thoroughly impartial inquiry, it has legislated to prevent abuses which that inquiry brought to light, and it is supplementing its legislation by rules and instructions framed under the Act. The question now is whether the Act and the instructions issued in accordance with it are sufficient to protect female and child workers under the actual conditions of Indian factory labour. This is a question which cannot be treated with any pretension to fairness or completeness in the House of Commons. It is a question for experts, and for men who have carefully studied, not the English, but the Indian factory system. Mr. Holt Hallett is, therefore, to be congratulated on his intention to bring the matter before the International Congress of Hygiene and Demography now about to meet in London. He may rest assured that if he makes out a good case, not for assimilating Indian factory legislation to English factory legislation, but for further legislation required to meet the actual conditions and needs of female and child workers in Indian factories, he will receive respectful attention in India.

It is not correct to assume that either the Anglo-Indian or the native Press in India are indifferent or selfishly hostile in this matter. No powerful mill-owning party has yet developed in India. The commercial influences which make themselves felt in the Anglo-Indian Press are the influences of the old-established interests, of the merchants and the planters, rather than those of the comparatively small number of mill-owners. In the native Press the tendency is rather towards a sentimental view of factory labour than towards a stern or even a strictly economic one. Nor can it be said that Lord Lansdowne's Government has shown itself either backward or timid in taking measures to protect the weak. His Age of Consent Act marks the most important step which has been made in this direction since the Hindu Widow Re-Marriage Law of 1856. He has taken that step in the teeth of a loud and determined opposition from the most numerous and most influential community in India—the orthodox Hindus. In regard to female and child labour in factories he has instituted a public inquiry which, for thoroughness and the vigorous action taken to give effect to its conclusions recalls the inquiry that preceded the legislation of 1859 dealing with agricultural grievances in Bengal.

Mr. Holt Hallett and his friends may, therefore, feel certain of a fair hearing in India for a fair statement of their case, even on the assumption that they are rivals, and keenly self-interested rivals of the Indian millowners. But to pour forth a volley of statements at the last sitting of the House of Commons—statements which the House has neither the inclination nor the time to verify—and of assumed analogies between English factory labour and Indian factory labour—analogies which the experts declare to be unsound—is not the proper way to deal with the question. It would be monstrous by a snap resolution obtained from an empty and listless House to force restrictions on Indian industry of a kind which the Indian Government has declared, after public inquiry, not to be required for the protection of the Indian worker, and which would, in the opinion of Indian millowners, be a mere device for handicapping them in their competition with the millowners of Lancashire.

It is this sense of unfairness in the methods employed that explains the very different treatment which Sir Joseph Pease and his friends have received at the hands of the Indian Government and the Indian Press. The snap resolution which Sir Joseph Pease obtained last Session for what practically meant the aboliton of the Indian opium revenue has not been accepted by the Indian Government as a serous expression of the views of the House of Commons. It remains a *brutum fulmen*. But even an empty thunderbolt may cause an amount of noise and excitement that cannot be safely disregarded in India. The most damaging feature of the agitation that has followed in India is the unanimity with which the Anglo-Indian and the native Press have dwelt on the cynical disregard displayed by Sir Joseph Pease and his friends towards the Indian people. The Chinese Consular reports place beyond question the fact that if every field of Indian opium were ploughed up to-morrow, the result would only be to add so many more fields to the Chinese area of cultivation. The Anglo-Chinese treaties, and the public declarations of her Majesty's Ministers, make it equally clear that, whatever may be the remote historical aspects of the opium trade, China now imports her Indian opium as free from pressure from without as England imports her French brandy. Yet, in spite of these facts, the House of Commons cynically permitted a resolution to pass which would have taken away the bread of thousands of families in British India and in the feudatory Indian States and which would have laid new and cruel taxation on an overcrowded agricultural country, never quite beyond the reach of famine. This was the price which the Indian peasant would have had to pay for the philanthropy of Sir Joseph Pease. It is as if the teetotal party in America were to pass a law for shutting up all the breweries and the distilleries in England. Indeed, it is more immoral, for the brewing and distilling interests in England are powerful enough to protect themselves, whereas the Indian peasant has, in the last resource, no protector but Parliament.

The course which Sir Joseph Pease adopted after obtaining the resolution has added a bitterness to the Indian criticisms which we think that he himself scarcely merited. In our article on May 5 we asked the supporters of the resolution to state plainly what they now wish the Indian Government to do—whether they desire the total withdrawal of Government cognizance and control, or the absolute prohibition of the growth of opium, or the substitution of the excise system for the present system of official supervision and manufacture. The answer to our appeal was an effort to show that the new burden of taxation need not prove so absolutely "crushing" as our Calcutta correspondent had telegraphed. The Indian Press, both British and native, has dealt somewhat unkindly with the amateur finance of Sir Joseph Pease, and we willingly recognize that the goodness of his cause need not stand or fall by his attempt to solve difficulties from which the ablest and most experienced financiers of India shrink. But we would again urge upon Sir Joseph Pease and his friends that their success last Session renders in their imperative duty to state what action they dessire the Indian Government to take, not in regard to making good the deficit, but in regard to the abolition or modification of the opium trade.

It is only by a candid statement of this kind that public opinion in England and in India can judge aright of their proposals. Those proposals may be innocuous; it is conceivable, indeed, that they might, by introducing a better system of excise, be actually profitable to the Indian revenue. But in any case the Indian Press has a right to demand five straight answers from Sir Joseph Pease to five plain questions. First, Do the anti-opium party in England desire that the loss of Indian revenue involved by England's interference with the opium trade should be borne by the Indian taxpayer, or do they accept the view indicated by more than one member of the Government that the loss should be made good to India by the English taxpayer? Second, Do they desire that the loss from throwing the opium lands out of cultivation or into the cultivation of less profitable crops, and the other losses resulting from the destruction of an old-established staple industry of India, shall be borne by the Indian peasantry and native *employes*, or would they give compensation at the cost of the English taxpayer? Third, Do they desire that the Indian Government should withdraw from all cognizance or control of the growth and manufacture of opium, and leave its production to the ordinary laws of supply and demand, like vine-growing in France or hop-growing in England? Fourth, Or do they desire that the Indian Government should absolutely prohibit the cultivation and manufacture of opium both in British districts and in the feudatory States, and, if so, with what compensation to the latter? Fifth, Or do they desire that the Indian Government should merely withdraw from the direct manufacture of opium, leaving its cultivation and manufacture to private enterprise, and dealing with it as an ordinary branch of excise—in short, restricting itself to the modified control and supervision which it exercises over the production and sale of spirituous liquors?

A plain answer to these plain questions will do more to enable the public to form a correct view of the justice and soundness of Sir Joseph Pease's proposals than all the anti-opium breakfasts with their well-meaning but one-sided and wholly unconvincing oratory during the twelve months of the year. If the speakers at those breakfasts will take the trouble to examine the files of Indian newspapers which have reached England since the resolution of the House of Commons three-and-a-half months ago, they will find that their character as truthful and honest men depends, in the opinion alike of their British and Indian fellow-subjects, on such answers being promptly and distinctly given.

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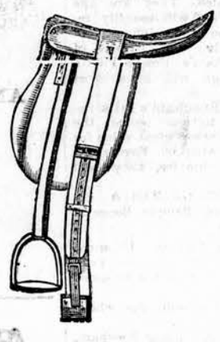

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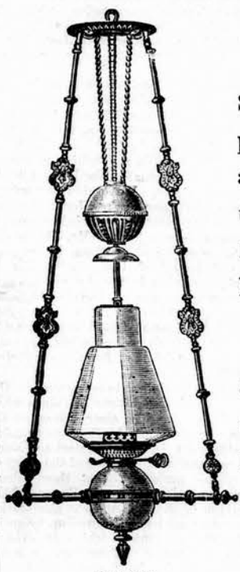

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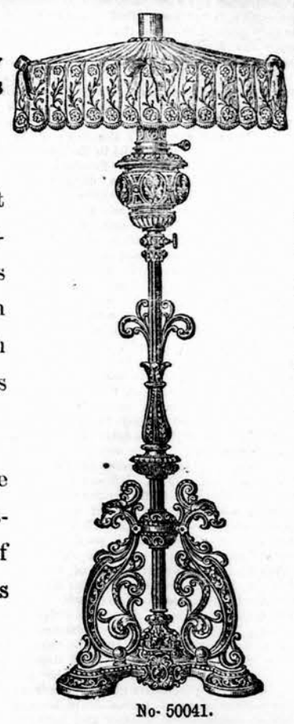

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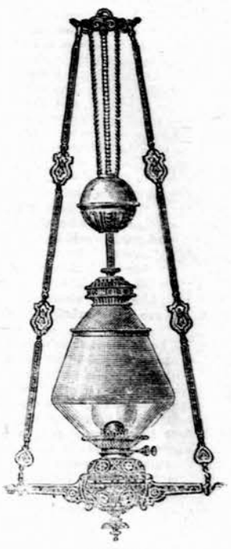

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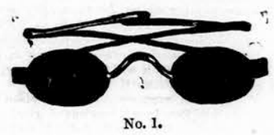

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